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## Zayed sends messages to Khaled, Fahd

JEDDAH, Nov. 14 (SPA) UAE Oil Minister Mani Said Oteiba arrived here Wednesday with messages for King Khaled and Crown Prince Fahd from UAE President Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan Al Nahyan.

In a brief statement on arrival, he said the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) is willing to do all it can to solve the crisis brought about by the seizure of hostages at the American embassy in Iran.

But at the same time he said OPEC regretted President Jimmy Carter's order to cut off all Iranian oil exports to the U.S.

Oteiba will hold talks here with Minister of Petroleum and Mineral Resources Sheikh Ahmad Zaki Yamani, who was at the airport to meet him.

He said the talks would deal with "coordination and consultation between the two countries in light of new developments in the field."

"It is very important to develop a unified stand on all matters," he said, but did not elaborate on what new developments he was referring to. He later left for home.



NEW AIRPORT: Defense Minister Prince Sultan bin Abdulaziz Al Saud will visit the site of the new international airport, 40 kms north of here, Thursday. He will be accompanied by the Director of Civil Aviation Sheikh Abdullah Vahidi.

## U.S. blocks Iranian assets

WASHINGTON, Nov. 14 (AP) — President Jimmy Carter Wednesday ordered all official Iranian deposits in the United States blocked following Iran's announcement that it was withdrawing its \$12 billion in deposits from American banks.

The assets Carter ordered blocked include deposits of the government of Iran, the central bank of Iran and all other government-controlled entities in U.S. banks and their foreign branches and subsidiaries.

Carter acted under authority granted him under the International Emergency Economic Powers Act, the White House said.

The action came on the 11th day of the crisis in U.S. — Iranian relations caused by a student takeover of the U.S. embassy in Tehran and the holding of almost 100 hostages — including 60 Americans — in the embassy compound.

The students are demanding the extradition from the U.S. to Iran of the deposed Shah, who is undergoing treatment for cancer at a New York hospital. The U.S. has refused to bow to the demand.

Carter halted all oil purchases from Iran Monday in order to keep Iranian authorities from using the 800,000 barrels a day the U.S. imports from Iran as a lever to force the deportation of the Shah.

Tuesday Iran asked for an emergency meeting of the U.N. Security Council to consider what it called "economic warfare" being waged on Iran by the U.S., and Wednesday it said it was withdrawing all its currency reserves from American banks.

Secretary of State Cyrus Vance flew to New York Wednesday to participate in the Security Council deliberations on the crisis. Iran has previously rejected a Security Council resolution calling for the release of the hostages.

And Iranian foreign affairs chief Abolhasan Bani Sadr was reported to be on his way to New York to take charge of his country's case before the world organization.

At the White House, press secretary Jody Powell made the announcement of the freezing of Iranian funds at 8:10 a.m., shortly after the word was received from Tehran that Iranian authorities had ordered the money to be withdrawn.

Powell said the law under which Carter acted gives him authority to "deal with any unusual and extraordinary threat to the national security, foreign policy or economy of the United States."

"While the Iranian government has put the amount of money in question at around \$12 billion, American reporters were told in Washington that the sum was closer to \$5 billion."

A high White House official said orders blocking the Iranian assets had been drawn up before Wednesday's action and that Carter needed only to sign the papers to block withdrawal of the Iranian money.

The official, who asked not to be named, said the president anticipated that the Iranians might move to pull out its funds, but decided not to act unless such a situation actually developed.

At the State Department, spokesman Jack Tuohy said things were very much up in the air concerning the position of the hostages.

"We continue efforts on a number of fronts to secure their release," he said.

Tehran Radio, meanwhile quoted Bani Sadr as saying the 38 non-American hostages being held at the embassy could be released in the next few days.

But there appeared to be no movement on freeing the Americans.

## Billions involved

White House spokesman Powell said the American move Wednesday was "no reason for disturbance in the foreign exchange or other markets."

Carter took his action after top Treasury Department officials met before dawn to discuss the implications of the Iranian action.

Treasury Secretary G. William Miller called aides to his office after the announcement in Tehran.

Bani Sadr, the new Iranian foreign minister, said at a news conference in Tehran that some \$12 billion in U.S. deposits would be transferred to branches of banks that will not be able to block the funds.

Bani Sadr specifically mentioned New York's Chase Manhattan Bank in his announcement, saying Iran was acting against that bank because it is headed by David Rockefeller.

Rockefeller is a friend of the deposed Shah.

Meanwhile, a newspaper in Kuwait said

the United States had informed countries in the Gulf area that it will intervene militarily to rescue the hostages if international efforts failed.

Al-Anba said its report came from well-informed sources, but the report could not be confirmed in Washington.

The newspaper also quoted Iran's ambassador to Kuwait, Ali Shams Ardankani, saying the Iranian government would not accept any mediation for release of the hostages because it was not "party" to the matter.

"The Iranian government cannot intervene in a matter which it is not party to," said. "The members of the American mission in Tehran are not hostages of the government but of the Iranian people."

Meanwhile, the State Department was remaining silent about signs Iranian government authorities may be softening their conditions for releasing the Americans being held hostage in Tehran.

## Dollar rallies after freeze

FRANKFURT, Nov. 14 (Agencies) — The U.S. dollar rebounded sharply Wednesday within moments of an announcement in Washington that President Jimmy Carter had frozen Iranian government assets in U.S. banks.

The dollar rose from about 1.7820 West German marks to around 1.7890 marks in hectic trading.

After Iran announced plans to withdraw funds from American banks, the dollar fell to a five week low, trading at one point at 1.7745 marks, a drop of over two pennings from the day's high.

West German officials meanwhile are determined to maintain "orderly conditions" on the foreign exchange market should Iran's threat to withdraw funds from U.S. banks lead to turmoil, government spokesman Armin Gruenewald said in Bonn Wednesday.

At the same time, Finance ministry and Central Bank officials declined comment when asked whether President Jimmy Carter could freeze Iranian dollar assets at branches of U.S. banks in West Germany.

But experts claimed it would be impossible, under existing German law to block withdrawals from a banking account in any bank operating in the country.

However, observers say although German law normally refuses to recognize such a right, the matter is under discussion at top government levels due to the unique and sensitive nature of the issue.

Following the Iranian threat to withdraw its money from U.S. banks, Carter froze Tehran's assets in both American banks in the United States and at branches and subsidiaries abroad.

Gruenewald said the Central Bank, or Bundesbank, had already acted during the

morning to prevent a sharper decline of the dollar.

Informants said without Central Bank support, the dollar could have tumbled 4 pennings against the mark. The dollar fell about pennings but recovered before Carter announced the freeze.

There are 100 pennings in a mark.

Gruenewald said the Bonn government had been informed of Carter's move but declined official comment.

Switzerland's Central Bank intervened briefly Wednesday to help stop a decline in the dollar on Swiss foreign exchange markets following Iran's new decisions and was ready to intervene again if needed, the President of the Swiss National Bank said.

## V. Bank mayors react collectively

TEL AVIV, Nov. 14 (Agencies) — The stine Liberation Organization urged the mayors of occupied West Bank Wednesday react collectively to Israel's decision to expel the PLO Executive Committee, also called to the Palestinians of the Israeli-occupied region to "escalate struggle against Israeli enemy."

The PLO statement meant that the mayors should either resign together or stay together, a PLO source explained. "The aim of the enemy is to try to fragment the Palestinian people and their leadership, we will never let the Israelis have their way."

The PLO statement was distributed by the Palestinian news agency Wafa.

The imminent expulsion of the Nablus mayor, Bassam Shakaa, was seen by PLO leaders as an attempt to impose the U.S.-sponsored Palestinian self-rule arrangements being negotiated by Egypt and Israel.

But the Palestinian mayors and their municipal and village councils in the West Bank and the Gaza strip resigned Tuesday in protest against the arrest and expulsion order of Shakaa.

However, Israeli newspapers speculated Wednesday that deportation proceedings against Shakaa would be dropped if the mayor "apologizes for reported statements" justifying Palestinian actions.

A spokesman at the Nablus City Hall, contacted by telephone, said a conference of local Palestinian leaders was under way, their sentiment was to refuse any conditions on Shakaa's release.

"We think that Shakaa himself might refuse, because there was nothing to apologize for," the spokesman said.

The mayor's wife Azia concurred. "I, as his wife, refuse his release if it is conditional," she said. "It is a trap and a conspiracy against the people of Nablus."

Prime Minister Menachem Begin's cabinet met as the secret ministerial defense committee to consider Shakaa's case, which left the government in a tough quandary.

If the Nablus mayor is expelled, the West Bank is expected to erupt in a spate of anti-

Israel violence — an embarrassment while Israeli is negotiating the terms of Palestinian autonomy with Egypt and the United States. But the government would appear weak if it backs off from its earlier decision to banish Shakaa.

Earlier Tuesday PLO chairman Yasser Arafat requested U.N. Secretary General Kurt Waldheim's personal intervention with the Israeli authorities to prevent the expulsion of Shakaa.

Wafa said the chairman made his appeal in a note addressed to Waldheim.

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## Saud in Tunis

TUNIS, Nov. 14 (SPA) — Foreign Minister Prince Saud Al-Faisal arrived here Wednesday to lead Saudi Arabia's delegation to Arab foreign ministers conference which ended the same day. The conference will pave for the 10th Arab summit slated here Friday.

The prince was met at the airport by his hisian counterpart Muhammad Al-Yousri, Arab League Secretary General Adli Kleibi, and Saudi Ambassador to Tunisia Sheikh Abdul Rahman Al-Omrani. He told reporters he hoped such meetings would foster Arab ranks and help the Arab world fulfill its objectives. "We hope to view issues of interest to the Arab world and to adopt a position to enable us to stand and realize our goals," Prince Saud said.

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## Arafat leaves Moscow after Kremlin talks

MOSCOW, Nov. 14 (AP) — Yasser Arafat, chairman of the Palestine Liberation Organization, left Moscow Wednesday after a day of talks with Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko, Tass reported.

Arab diplomats linked the timing of Arafat's trip to the Arab summit later this month in Tunis. Official Soviet reports said Arafat and Gromyko had wide-ranging discussions on a series of Middle East problems.

Arafat visited the Soviet Union three times last year and twice in 1977.

Tass said Tuesday's conversation, "held in a warm and friendly atmosphere," covered "questions connected with the situation in the Middle East and with achieving a just and comprehensive settlement in the area."

The agency said special attention was devoted to the importance of "insuring the legitimate national rights of the Arab people of Palestine, including their right to self-determination and the establishment of a state of their own."

Tass said the talks also covered "the Arab people's struggle against imperialism's intrigues and against the anti-Arab policy of separate deals."

Tass also quoted Arafat as saying that the PLO had nothing to do with the attack on Israel's ambassador to Portugal. Arafat said the attack had the obvious intention of worsening Palestinian-Portuguese relations.

Arafat said "imperialism and Zionism" were making major efforts to compromise the Palestinian movement. He said the reception of a PLO delegation this month in Lisbon "made the enemies of the Palestinian revolution foam at the mouth."

"Exactly, therefore, reaction has chosen Portugal for this terrorist act, which is directed against the Palestinian and Portuguese peoples and against all democratic forces."

## Quake destroys Iranian village

TEHRAN, Nov. 14 (Agencies) — At least one village was destroyed and dozens badly damaged when an earthquake struck eastern Iran Wednesday morning, the official radio reported each village had about 285 inhabitants but the number of casualties was not immediately known.

The radio reported that more than 200 persons were understood to be buried under debris in three of the villages in the area around the city of Mashhad in Khorasan province. The villages are believed to be near the town of Tabas, where 15 persons died in an earthquake in September 1978.

A radio reporter said hospitals in the region could not cope with the number of the injured and were appealing for doctors and medicine and blankets. Helicopters were still searching for stricken villages.

Earlier the official Pars news agency said that at least four persons were known to have been killed and six injured in the villages of Khorasan, according to local authorities.

But rescue coordinators contacted by telephone from Nicosia, Cyprus, said at least 500 persons were killed and scores injured in the earthquake.

"Lots of bodies are still being found. It is possible that the number of the dead will exceed 1,000," Mohammad Ali Shirazi, son of Ayatollah Ali Shirazi, Mashhad's religious leader, said.

Tehran radio said the Mashhad seismological station had told the Pars news agency that the earthquake measured about 6 degrees on the Richter scale, with its epicenter 256 kilometers southeast of the station.

Apart from Mashhad it also shook the villages of Bidokht, Dehnaabad, Vgacvab, Sheyqab, Esend, Rud and Fanoq.

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## Report out

# Algosaibi lauds power progress

RIYADH, Nov. 14 (SPA) — The General Electricity Organization has gone a long way over the past two years in connecting as many houses as possible in Saudi Arabia to the network, says Dr. Ghazi Algosaibi, the minister of industry and electricity and GEO chairman.

He said that more will be done in the coming few years, in compliance with the instructions of King Khaled and Crown Prince Fahd.

According to the board's annual report for 1977 and 1978, work is progressing on four central power projects in Kharij, Jizan, Baha, and Asir under contracts signed two years ago totalling SR1,650 million. The four projects involve the installation of a 2,171 kilometer network.

The Asir project, with a capacity of 90 megawatts, will serve 450 villages. That of Jizan, with a 60 megawatts capacity, will cover 420 villages. Kharij, with a capacity of 40 megawatts, will serve another 20 villages.

The report said that most rural electricity projects, the crash program for lighting main streets and projects planned for 1977 and 1978 had been finished.

They cost approximately SR195 million, connecting of 68 villages.

For expansion of electricity projects in Abha, Nejran, Yanbu, Hail, Jof, Dabba, Qaryat, and Wajh, a SR511 million had been allocated. SR200 million was budgeted in 1977 and 1978.

The expansion is to cover a larger area and satisfy soaring demand in these regions as a result of the urbanization boom and con-

## Ministries ban import of dates

JEDDAH, Nov. 14 — The Ministries of Agriculture and Water and Commerce have banned the import of dates, except in special cases approved by the Ministries of Finance and National Economy, Agriculture and Water and Commerce, according to local reports. The action is to ensure a market for the Saudi Arabian date crop.

tinued progress.

The report indicated that the board had lent generators to some villages and areas still deprived of electric power, as a contribution towards lighting as much as possible of those areas in the shortest possible time before main electricity reached them.

Villages were lent 88 generators in 1977 and 1978 with a total capacity of 21 megawatts, in addition to 15 transformers of an overall capacity of nine amperes to 74 villages in various areas, of a total value of SR 21 million.

The board also gave SR48.5 million during the year to the capital of six electricity companies. The sum represented 84 per cent of the companies' capital in Raja, Torba, Sabaya, Houta, Sudair, Bahra and Dhahran South.

The Organization signed a contract with the French company Sofretes in 1978 calling for a project for solar-generation of electricity and water pumping.

Another project is being carried out by the Agricultural Research and Development Center in Haer near Riyadh. It will be possible to use the center to extract subterranean water for agriculture in addition to generating electricity for lighting.

Operation and administration of electricity projects have been given mostly to Saudi Arabian companies and under GEO supervision of technical standards.

To develop the technical skills to run and maintain plants, 29 engineers and technicians of Saudi Arabian nationality were sent to the United States, Canada and Ireland for training.

The GEO is also to set up a technical training institute in cooperation with the French Energy Authority and Arab experts in engineering and administration to train Saudi Arabian youths with secondary and intermediate school certificates.

In Manama, Ruler of Bahrain Sheikh Issa bin Khalifa Wednesday received Dr. Algosaibi.

He arrived Tuesday to attend the meetings of the board of directors of the Bahrain Aluminium company, in which Saudi Arabia holds a 20 per cent share.



DEPARTURE: Minister of Foreign Affairs Prince Saud Al-Faisal sees off Finnish Foreign Minister Paavo Vayrynen at Jeddah airport Tuesday.

## Eritrean aide praises assistance of Kingdom

JEDDAH, Nov. 14 — Saudi Arabia has steadfastly supported the Eritrean Revolution from its very beginning in 1961, a senior Eritrean official says.

In an interview published in *Al-Jazirah* Wednesday, Muhammad Othman Abu Bakr, a member of the ELF/PLF said the Kingdom has opened its door to nearly 150,000 Eritreans who have been given free residence permits and a chance of work here.

By allowing this large number of Eritreans to stay and work in the Kingdom, he said, Saudi Arabia has "greatly helped us continue our struggle." Eritrean residents of the Kingdom reinforced the revolution with their monthly remittances to support their families in Eritrea.

He said the Kingdom's political and material assistance has immensely influenced the Eritreans.

Abu Bakr said "the PLO gives us huge military assistance and

plays a fundamental role in helping and supporting the Eritrean Revolution". He added that the PLO also trained Eritrean fighters in Palestinian commando camps.

Abu Bakr said the Eritrean revolution played a major role in the continuity of all opposition forces in Ethiopia. The Eritreans had achieved political and military coordination with all revolutionary movements.

Abu Bakr denied that the Eritrean Revolution received assistance and support from the Soviet Union during the reign of Haile Selassie. On the contrary, the Soviet Union was hostile to the Eritrean Revolution then and now. The Soviet Union considered opposition to the Eritrean Revolution part of its colonialist plans in the region, and it gives all-out support to the Ethiopians in strafing Eritrean territory. "I will not be telling you a secret if I say that it is the Soviets who are leading the battle inside Eritrea", he said.

## Telephone directory inquiry service boom

JEDDAH, Nov. 14 — Saudi Telephone's directory inquiry operators are handling up to 400 per cent more calls than last year.

Saudi Telephone said in a statement Wednesday that its Riyadh operators provide information for 8,000 callers a day, a 400 per cent increase; its Jeddah 9,000 a day, a 300 per cent rise.

## Kingdom gives Yemenis SR500m yearly cash aid

JEDDAH, Nov. 14 — Saudi Arabia gives North Yemen SR500 million a year in budgetary support, Sanaa Planning and Development Minister Ali Luf Al-Thaur says.

Thaur who had just concluded a visit to this country, told *Al-Jazirah* newspaper Wednesday that the Saudi Fund for Development also contributed to development projects of his country.

He said that the Saudi-Yemeni Council for Coordination will meet in Sanaa in January to follow up the progress of projects financed by Saudi Arabia. It will also discuss coordination in economic and political matters at Arab and international levels.

The Saudi Arabian delegation will be led by Defense and Aviation minister Prince Sultan while

Operators also take time to answer. In Riyadh, 80 per cent of the calls to directory inquiry are answered in less than 10 seconds. In Jeddah the level is 96 per cent.

The all-Saudi Jeddah directory inquiry staff has just moved into new offices on Mecca Road. The all-Saudi Riyadh staff has worked in the new CAP building in the

Malaz area since last year.

Both groups use the modern ASDP call distribution system, as well as service observation to maintain good levels of performance and courtesy. The ASDP system distributes all directory inquiry calls equally to each operator, making calls wait if operators are busy, and giving a continuous visual status report of all calls.

Next year, the "instant retrieval" system will be used for directory inquiry records throughout the Kingdom. The system will store all directory records on tape in a special computer in the CAP building, Riyadh. Directory inquiry operators will sit at computer consoles in front of video screens, and simply key in the subscriber's name for instant viewing of the listing.

The CAP computer will eventually serve four directory inquiry centers across the Kingdom, each with its own computer terminals and video screens. The centers will serve all Saudi Telephone subscribers, and will be in Riyadh, Jeddah, Dammam, and Taif.

Directory inquiry service in Dammam and Taif is also expanding. Operators are now in their own quarters using their own directory inquiry records. The Dammam group is using new Logic 20 call directors to provide

service before the installation ASDP equipment.

Directory inquiry operators using Saudi Telephone's new telephone directories. The directories are an integral part of the temporary directory inquiry listings, providing information from being produced for Medina, Qas Hail, Riyadh, Jeddah, Mecca-Taif. Two more Saudi Telephone directories will be issued soon this year, one Dammam and Abha — south

## Vienna flight service starts

By a Staff Writer

JEDDAH, Nov. 14 — The direct flight between Vienna and Jeddah began Wednesday with an Australian Airlines plane arriving to begin a twice weekly service.

A ceremony was held at the port attended by Australian Ambassador Frank Jose Schmidt, Commercial Counselor Rudolf Marten, Comment Attaché Dr. Dietmar Fellner, First Secretary Michael Schbauer, the director of the air and representatives of Bag Travel Agency, which represents the airline. Australian Airlines will operate flights Wednesday and Thursday.

## Rabegh desalt deal awarded to joint venture

RIYADH, Nov. 14 (SPA) — Minister of Agriculture and Water Dr. Abdul Rahman Al-Sheikh Wednesday signed a contract with Al-Mabani of Saudi Arabia and an Italian company to build a desalination plant in Rabegh, SPA named the Italian firm as Ital.

Costing SR88.5 million and to be completed in 20 months, the 240,000-gallon a day plant will consist of two desalination units and three diesel motors, each with a capacity of 700 kilowatts.

The contract also provides for a residential complex for the plant's personnel, a 12 kilometer pipeline to carry water to Rabegh and an 8,000-cubic meter reservoir to store water to ensure local consumption for 10 days.

## Saudi Comment

By Adnan Kamel Salah Al-Medina

I was surprised when a friend told me that the newly Saudized Arab Bank allotted him only 21 shares out of his 200 requested, for which he had already paid in full.

I had thought that the Saudization of banks was aimed at involving as many people as possible in the banks' capital so that they can invest their savings profitably and therefore take part in the economic prosperity of their country.

This was done in particular by the Jazirah Bank, which allowed small investors ample opportunity to participate by having a minimum of 100 shares and anything over that allotted on a proportional basis. But the Arab Bank's rules are not clear. If somebody wanted 200 shares and was given only 21 how many will the applicant for 100 shares receive?

Such an allocation will defeat the purpose of the whole exercise, since the dividends that will accrue on 21 shares sold at SR100 each will be so meager they will discourage many people from subscribing, and will therefore nullify the objective set by the government.

Perhaps the Arab Bank will review its decision before Citibank and the National Commercial Bank begin to float their shares as well.

By Hamad Al-Qadhi Al-Jazirah

If I were to write the history of Riyadh I would start by pointing to the number of shops in vogue at any one time. At first we had a plethora of real estate agents and when this fashion went out we had stereo shops, then dress shops, then women's dressmaking shops and finally supermarkets.

Supermarkets are modern developments. They provide a lot of things and save time and presumably money. But they do not do that here. Prices are certainly not lower than elsewhere, despite the huge turnover. Indeed, the prices of groceries and other goods in supermarkets are much higher than those in smaller shops.

I beg to draw the attention of the municipal authorities to this situation while we are going through the era of the supermarket in the capital.

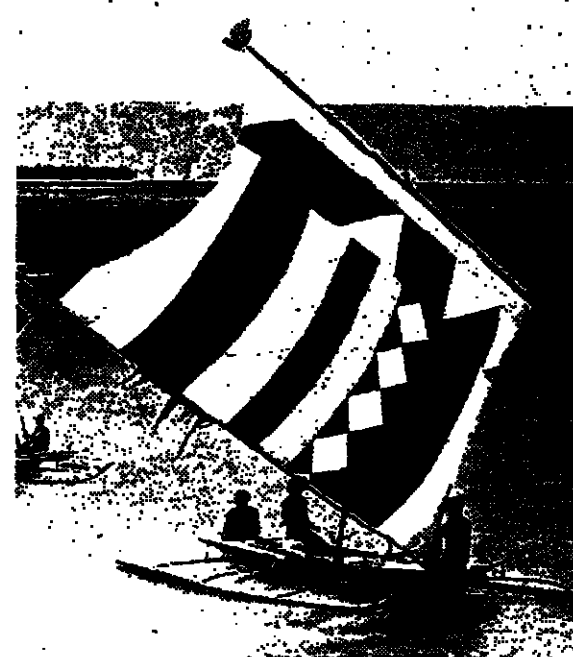
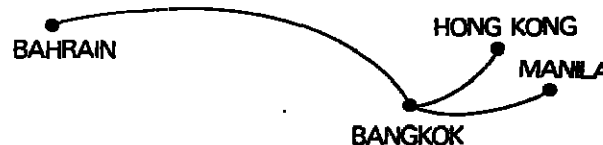
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## In meetings at OIC headquarters

# Islamic UNESCO charter finalized

By a Staff Writer

JEDDAH, Nov. 14 — The draft of an Islamic UNESCO charter was finalized at meetings in Jeddah.

The draft was finalized after five days of talks at the headquarters of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC).

### By Interior Ministry

## a overstayers warned

JEDDAH, Nov. 14 (SPA) — The Interior Ministry Wednesday warned pilgrims and visitors not to overstay their visas in the Kingdom for work, study or other purposes.

The ministry called on them to return to their countries.

The Islamic States Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (ISESCO) will have its headquarters in Rabat, and branch offices in other countries. ISESCO was set up by a resolution of the Tenth Islamic Foreign Ministers' Conference in Fez in May, and the scholars who finalized the charter came from the League of Muslim Universities (Rabat), the World Federation of International Arabo-Islamic Schools, Saudi Arabian universities and the Saudi Arabian and Moroccan foreign ministries.

The charter will be submitted to the Permanent Council of the Islamic Solidarity Fund, an autonomous body within the OIC, when it meets here at the beginning of December. It will then go to the Islamic Commission for Economic, Cultural and Social Affairs when it meets in Conakry, Guinea, in January, after which it will be sent to all OIC member states for comment.

The objectives of the organization will be: Coordination among specialized bodies of the OIC in education, science and culture, and also among OIC member states to foster Islamic solidarity and the cultural integration of the Islamic world.

To give assistance to non-governmental organizations concerned with educational, scientific, cultural and information affairs such as the World Federation of International Arabo-Islamic Schools and the League of Islamic Universities. It is emphasized that ISESCO will have to rely on such institutions in their fields.

To foster cooperation among Islamic countries and peoples in education and culture as well as in scientific research, and to make Islamic culture the pivot of public education at all stages and levels.

To deepen understanding among peoples and help establish peace and security throughout the world, especially by education.

cultural, science and information, in cooperation with international and regional organizations. Cooperation with UNESCO will be especially stressed.

To ensure cooperation between the efforts of the Arab League Educational, Cultural and Scientific Organization and Islamic countries and institutions concerned with Muslim minorities in non-OIC member countries, to work out plans and back up projects to spread Islamic culture and the language of the Holy Koran, Arabic in the four corners of the globe.

Other objectives include coordinating scientific research, developing applied sciences and using technology within the framework of Islamic ideals and principles to preserve the features of Islamic civilization in architecture, antiquities and fine arts.

The organization will also strengthen bonds among various agencies, according to a plan to protect Islamic thought against encroachment by foreign cultures, to encourage historical research to write an objective history of the Islamic nations and to revive their intellectual and artistic heritage.

### Arrival

The secretary general designate of the OIC, Habib Chatti, arrived here Tuesday to take over from Dr. Amadou Karim Gaye.

Meanwhile, the secretary general of the Muslim World League, Sheikh Muhammad Ali Al-Harakan, received Gaye at his office Wednesday.

The OIC meanwhile Wednesday received a check for \$24.8 million as Saudi Arabia's contribution to its budget.

The check was handed over to Gaye by Ahmad Mubarak, director of Islamic affairs at the Foreign Affairs Ministry.



GOODBYE: Tuesday night the Ministry of Foreign Affairs gave a dinner in Jeddah for Maj. Gen. Fazal Muqem Khan, the retiring Pakistani ambassador. From left are Sheikh Abdul Aziz bin Saad, the Qatari ambassador, Khan, Sheikh Salem Sumbul, head of the ministry's Protocol Department, and Sheikh Ibrahim Harun Al-Harithi, the Omani ambassador.

### At dinner

## Departing Pakistani envoy feted

By a Staff Writer

JEDDAH, Nov. 14 — The Foreign Affairs Ministry Tuesday night gave a farewell party for Pakistani Ambassador Fazal Muqem Khan. He will soon be leaving for home on the completion of tour of duty in the Kingdom.

The party, held at the Kandara Palace Hotel, was attended by a large number of diplomats, senior officials of Islamic institutions and the Ministry and many others.

Khan told Arab News later that he had enjoyed his service in the country. "I made many friends." He was "gratified by the kind treatment" he had received from the Saudi Arabian government, led by King Khalid and Crown Prince Fahd. He praised the Pakistani community, which also gave a party in his honor, the first given a

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departing Pakistani ambassador. Since he had retired before coming here but agreed to take up the post in Saudi Arabia at the request of President Zia-ul-Haq, he will return to retirement.

## IDB lends \$21 million in project assistance

JEDDAH, Nov. 14 (SPA) — The Islamic Development Bank has approved loans of \$21 million for development projects in Turkey, Niger and Pakistan.

It has also approved Tuesday making available credit of \$66.5 million to bankroll foreign trade in Morocco, Kuwait, Sudan, Bangladesh, Turkey and Pakistan.

This brings the total number of projects and foreign trade finance loans made by the bank to 114 in 30 countries, amounting to \$945 million.

The bank's council of executive directors had earlier Tuesday ended its meetings under the chairmanship of IDB President Ahmad Muhammad Ali. It recommended the board of governors consider at their meeting in Damascus early next year that the bank become a founding member of a fund for the assistance of Arab, Islamic and international schools. It also approved Gambia's application for membership.

The bank extended a \$1 million loan to Somalia to buy threads for cotton weaving from Pakistan.

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## Yamani to go to Arab talks on mineral use

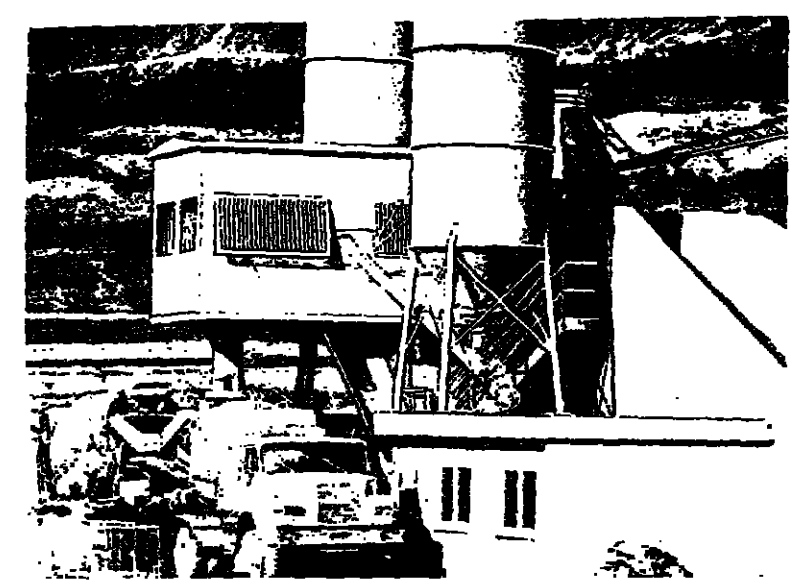
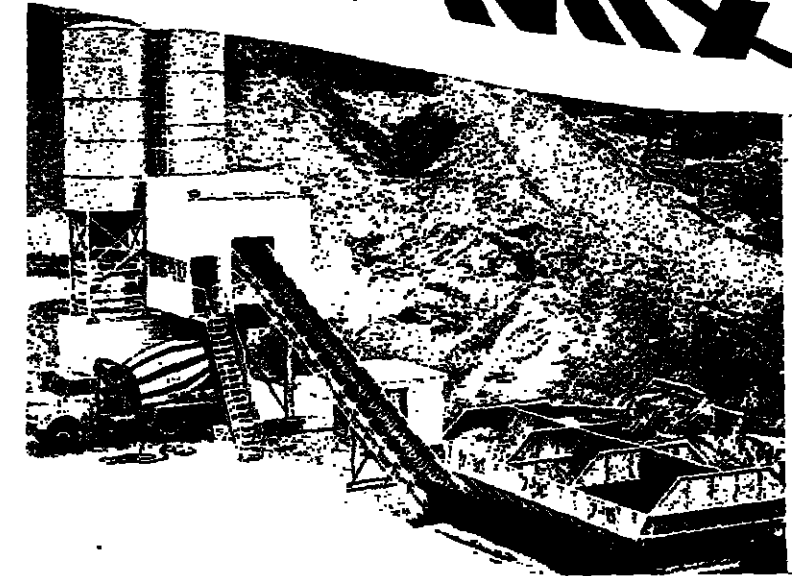
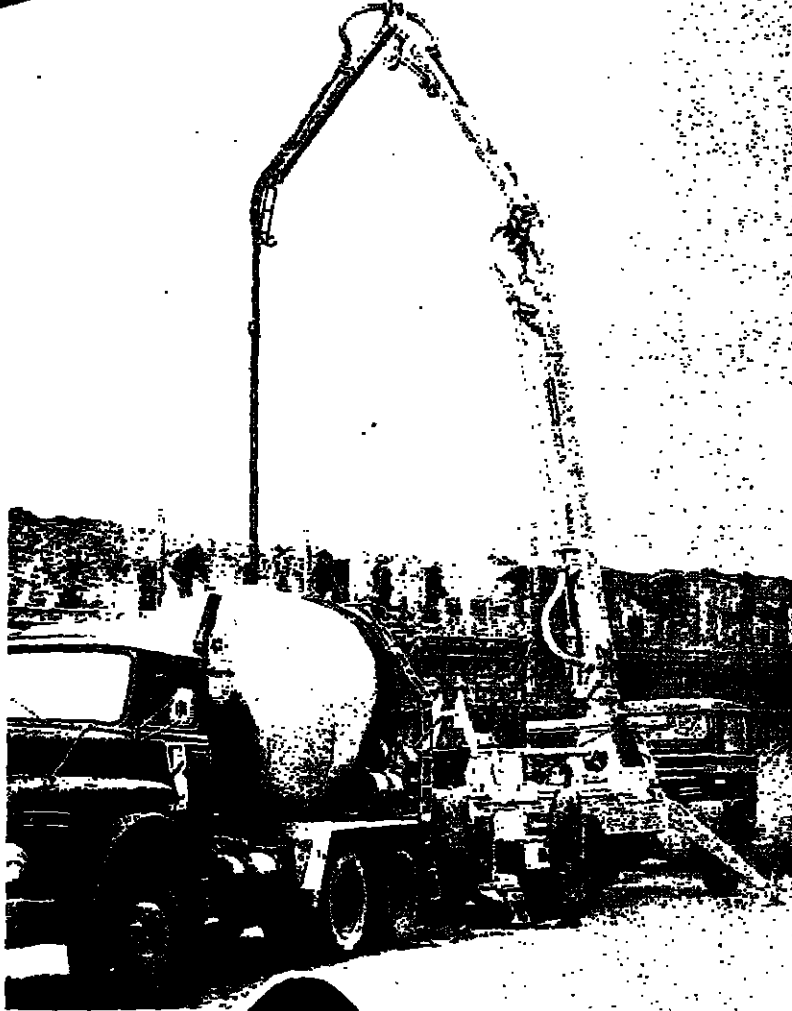
RIYADH, Nov. 14 (SPA) — Minister of Petroleum and Mineral Resources Sheikh Ahmad Zaki Yamani will lead the Saudi Arabian delegation to the annual conference of the ministerial council of the Arab Organization for Mineral Resources. It begins in Amman Saturday.

The conference is expected to discuss mineral resources in the Arab countries and promoting cooperation in developing them.

Other countries represented will include Jordan, Kuwait, Iraq, Morocco, the UAE, the PLO and the Arab League.

The Kingdom will also take part in an anti-malaria conference held by neighboring states in Amman Saturday under the auspices of the World Health Organization. The Saudi Arabian delegation will be led by Dr. Hashim Al-Dabbagh, director of preventive medicine.

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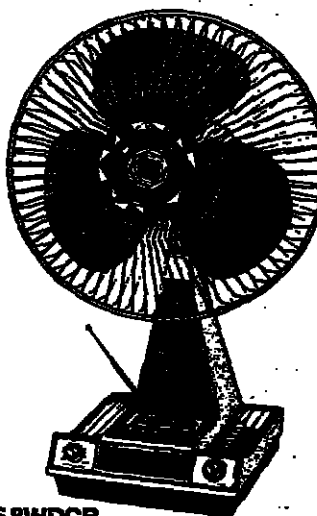
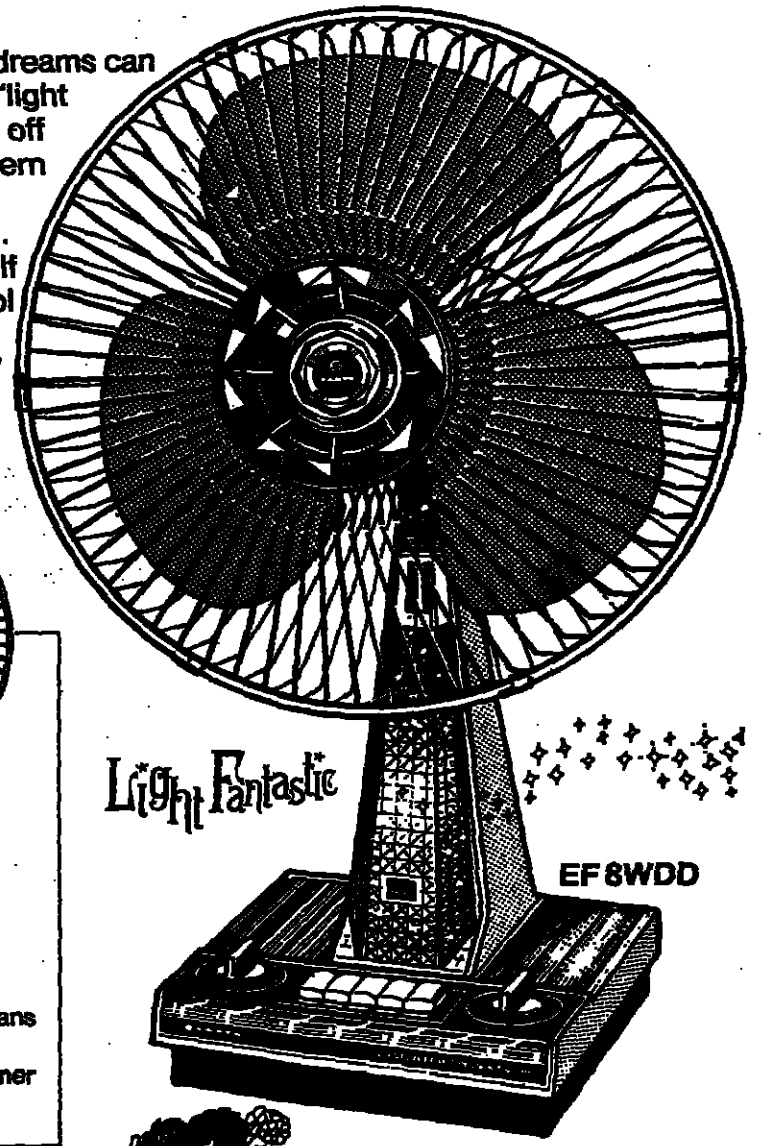
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## Sadat sees autonomy agreement in 3 months

CAIRO, Nov. 14 (AP) — President Anwar Sadat says he believes Egypt and Israel will reach agreement in the next three months on autonomy for the Palestinians living in occupied territories and that the sensitive issue of Jerusalem will also be resolved within six months.

In an interview with the British Broadcasting Corporation, Sadat also expressed conviction that the internal problems plaguing the government of Israeli Prime Minister Menahem Begin would by no means delay the negotiation process in which the United States is also participating.

Sadat who is personally ostracized by the rest of the Arab world for signing a peace accord with Israel, and whose country is being politically and economically boycotted by 17 Arab countries predicted that these countries would adopt more "hysterical" resolutions against Egypt after Cairo established diplomatic relations with Tel Aviv next February.

He said Egypt had lost \$500 million as a result of the Arab boycott.

The interview was taped last week, and was aired on "The World Today" program of the BBC Tuesday. Extracts of the interview conducted in English were released in Arabic by the official Middle East News Agency Tuesday.

The interview was mainly devoted to a retrospective view of the past two years of negotiations between Egypt and Israel for peace in the Middle East.

The negotiations are currently slowed down over autonomy for the 1.1 million Palestinians living in the Israeli occupied West Bank and Gaza. Israel wants to maintain control of the land while giving autonomy to the people, but the Egyptians are asking autonomy for both land and people.

Sadat claimed the recent meeting between the Egyptian, Israeli and American delegations has made "headway" but he did not elaborate.

"I hope they will continue this way so that within two to three months we will have settled the issue of autonomy and then start elections for the self-governing Palestinian Council," Sadat said. "After that King Hussein of Jordan can participate in the negotiations too."

"I hope we will reach agreement on the question of the city of Jerusalem before the May 1980 deadline" set for the negotiations by the peace pacts, Sadat said.

## American aircraft carrier to exercise in Arabian Sea

WASHINGTON, Nov. 14 (AP) — The U.S. aircraft carrier *Midway* left the East African port of Mombassa, Kenya, Tuesday for what the Pentagon described as a training exercise in the Arabian Sea.

Pentagon spokesman Thomas Lambert said the U.S.-British-Australian naval and air maneuvers have no connection with the crisis in Iran. Other defense officials said the exercise has been planned for about six months.

Asked whether any consideration had been given to postponing or canceling the exercise to avoid

inflaming the Iranian situation, Lambert replied: "Not to my knowledge."

He said the exercise will involve *Midway* and seven frigates and destroyers. Navy ships will join 10 British naval vessels and Australian maritime patrol planes in several days of exercises involving, among other things, air-to-air and air-to-surface combat drills and surveillance of the sea lanes.

The exercise will place the *Midway*, four frigates and destroyers, a supply ship and two oilers within reach of the entrance to the Gulf without actually entering it.



President Sadat

## El Al chief resigns

TEL AVIV, Nov. 14 (Agencies) — Conservative industrialist Abraham Shavit replaced Mordechai Ben-Ari as head of El Al Tuesday in an effort to save the national airline from economic collapse.

Ben-Ari resigned his post at the urging of the finance and transport ministers, who announced Shavit's appointment to head the ailing company.

Shavit, a leading manufacturer who is chairman of the Israel Industrialist Association, has pushed for strict policies on labor and inflation. He is an associate of Finance Minister Yigal Hurvitz.

Hurvitz said Tuesday night that Shavit was his personal choice for the job. "He will not stand by and see the national airline run into a \$50 to 70 million dollar deficit," Hurvitz said.

El Al, traditionally a profit-making company, reported a \$24 million loss last year "and somebody has to take the consequences for this," the minister said.

Frequent labor disputes, which at one stage forced a two-month closure, were largely to blame for the loss.

Experts have recommended that the airline should dismiss about 1,500 employees, which would save it \$25 million and sell some of its airliners.

## 300 Afghan soldiers said joining rebels

ISLAMABAD, Nov. 14 (AP) — Three hundred Afghan government troops with 30 tanks and a large quantity of arms have joined rebels fighting against the Marxist government of President Hafizullah Amin, the Urdu language newspaper *Jang* reported Wednesday.

The Rawalpindi newspaper, quoting reports from across the border, said the troops deserted the government ranks at Gardez in Paktia province. The men and equipment had been sent by the Kabul government to fight the rebels. In all, the government troops had 90 tanks.

The desertions followed a clash with the rebels in which 240 troops were killed and 12 tanks and armored vehicles were destroyed, the rebels said. Eight rebels were killed in the clash.

The reports said the rebels also attacked the military cantonment in Zabeel area and captured a substantial quantity of arms and ammunition, including anti-aircraft guns. They said 1,000 troops surrendered to the rebels.

The rebels said another Afghan army brigade surrendered to them in the Asmara area.

## Demirel, Ecevit review key issues

ANKARA, Nov. 14 (R) — Turkey's new Prime Minister Suleyman Demirel, Tuesday met his predecessor, Bulent Ecevit, for a briefing on the country's economic situation, international relations, defense and national security.

Demirel, 55, leader of the center-right Justice Party, took office as prime minister for the sixth time in 14 years and presented the names of his cabinet to President Fahri Koruturk, Monday.

## Boucetta in U.K. for Sahara talks

LONDON, Nov. 14 (R) — Moroccan Foreign Minister Muhammad Boucetta arrived here Tuesday for talks with British Foreign Secretary Lord Carrington on the Western Sahara dispute and other international problems. Boucetta is expected to give British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher a message from King Hassan, informed sources said. He was accompanied by Trade Minister Azzeddine Guessous, who will press Morocco's case for improved trade with Britain and the European Economic Community.

## Rebels claim killing 21 Ethiopians

BAGHDAD, Nov. 14 (AP) — Eritrean rebels killed 21 Ethiopian troops, wounded 193 and captured 16 in an attack in the area of Alqina in Eritrea last week, the Iraqi news agency reported Tuesday. In the meantime, an Eritrean rebel leader said that a number of Soviet soldiers, including two generals, were killed during recent fighting in the Eritrean provincial capital of Asmara. In an interview with the mass-circulation *Al-Akhbar*, Osman Saleh Sabbi, head of the Eritrean Liberation Front (ELF), who is currently visiting Egypt, claimed that the bodies of the two unidentified generals were flown to Moscow.

## Palestinians appeal land takeover

TEL AVIV, Nov. 14 (R) — Ten Palestinian landowners from Ashire Shamaliye, near Nablus in the occupied West Bank, appealed to the Israeli high court Tuesday against confiscation of their land by the military authorities. They said about 7 acres near Mount Ebal which had been cultivated by some 100 families had been requisitioned by the army six months ago.

## Iraqi endowments minister sacked

BAGHDAD, Nov. 14 (R) — The Iraqi Minister of Religious Endowments Ahmad Abdul-Sattar, was Tuesday relieved of his post and replaced by Nouri Feisal Shaher, the Iraqi News Agency reported. Shaher was formerly undersecretary for the interior and adviser to the ruling Revolutionary Command Council (RCC).

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### Jeddah

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Sunday, Nov. 18

Competitive League at the  
Khurais Marriott Hotel at 6:30  
p.m. Public welcome.

### Dhahran

Monday to Thursday, Nov. 19 to 22

Thursday, Nov. 14

The last night of SET's  
production of Private Lives at the  
British Embassy.

Riyadh Softball League. Desert  
Rats vs. Bell Canada at 7:00 p.m.,  
Bechtel vs. Lockheed at 8:00 p.m.  
at the Bechtel Field. Public wel-  
come.

Saturday, Nov. 17

Makram Irani will speak at the  
American Embassy on Middle  
East art and David Roberts prints  
7:30 p.m., by invitation only.

Sunday, Monday, Nov. 18, 19

A Belgium Exhibition spon-  
sored by the embassy will open at  
the Intercontinental Banquet Hall  
at 5:00 p.m. and will continue  
until 10:00 p.m. Textiles, national  
dress, carpets, etc., will be on dis-  
play.

### Riyadh

Saturday, Nov. 17

Arabic conversational lessons  
at the Riyadh Language Center  
from 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Men-  
tally SR600

Susan Rafferty, a soprano and  
graduate of Juilliard, will sing at  
the house of Mr. and Mrs.  
Ibrahim. A map is included on the

Tuesday, Nov. 20

Riyadh softball at Bechtel  
Field. At 7:00 p.m., Law  
Engineering vs. Bell Canada and  
at 8:00 p.m., the Stags-VS. Desert  
Rats. These are the final games of  
the season.

Wednesday, Nov. 21

Riyadh Men's Basketball.

Thursday, Nov. 22

The Dhahran Theatre Group  
presents "The World of Carl  
Sandburg", a musical program  
featuring tall tales, jokes, and  
rhymes. Curtain time is 7:30 p.m.  
in the auditorium next to the  
Dhahran Snack Bar, Aramco.  
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dren.

## A comedy of errors

By a Staff Writer  
JEDDAH — In any number of  
Jeddah productions the hard work  
is apparent but because of the luck  
of talent and direction one  
applauds the enthusiasm and  
effort rather than the perfor-  
mance. Regrettably, with notable  
exceptions, this proved true again  
Tuesday evening when SET's  
production of Noel Coward's *Private  
Lives* opened at the British  
Embassy. SET and organization  
like it are a boon to Jeddah. Those  
who give their time, their talent  
and their hard work are invaluable  
additions to the city. That said, it  
must be added that they deserve  
intelligent, constructive criticism  
in return.

Director Paul Jones did an  
admirable job of casting. The sets  
were superb, the effects subtle, the  
lighting competent, but the pro-  
duction as a whole, was unbal-  
anced.

Not surprisingly, given his pro-  
fessional experience, Geoff Ken-  
ion, playing Elyot, was most at  
ease. Whether in a turn of the  
head, in the tender lines of the  
love scenes or in the acrobatic  
scuffings across the stage, his tim-  
ing was superb. He carried the  
show.

His partner, Linda Webber as  
Amanda, gave neither as poised  
nor as polished a performance. In  
her opening scene, her arm  
movements were distracting. As  
the play progressed, this became  
less of a problem and she seemed  
to settle into the role with greater  
confidence.

Accents proved a serious hurdle  
for both Webber and Heather  
Bond, who played the French

maid, Louise. Her lines were  
French: her accent was not.

The two second leads, Fran-  
cesca Evans and James Rooney as  
Sybil and Victor, were just as  
unbalanced a pair as the leads.  
Evans achieved a captivating mix-  
ture of girlishness and sophistica-  
tion as the young wife of a ne'er-  
do-well. Rooney, for his first  
appearance on the stage, had a dif-  
ficult part. Victor is a stuffed shirt,  
35 going on 50, but, though he  
bores the other characters, he  
mustn't be allowed to bore the  
audience. A tricky thing to  
accomplish. Rooney, alas, failed.  
His Victor was wooden and  
unconvincing.

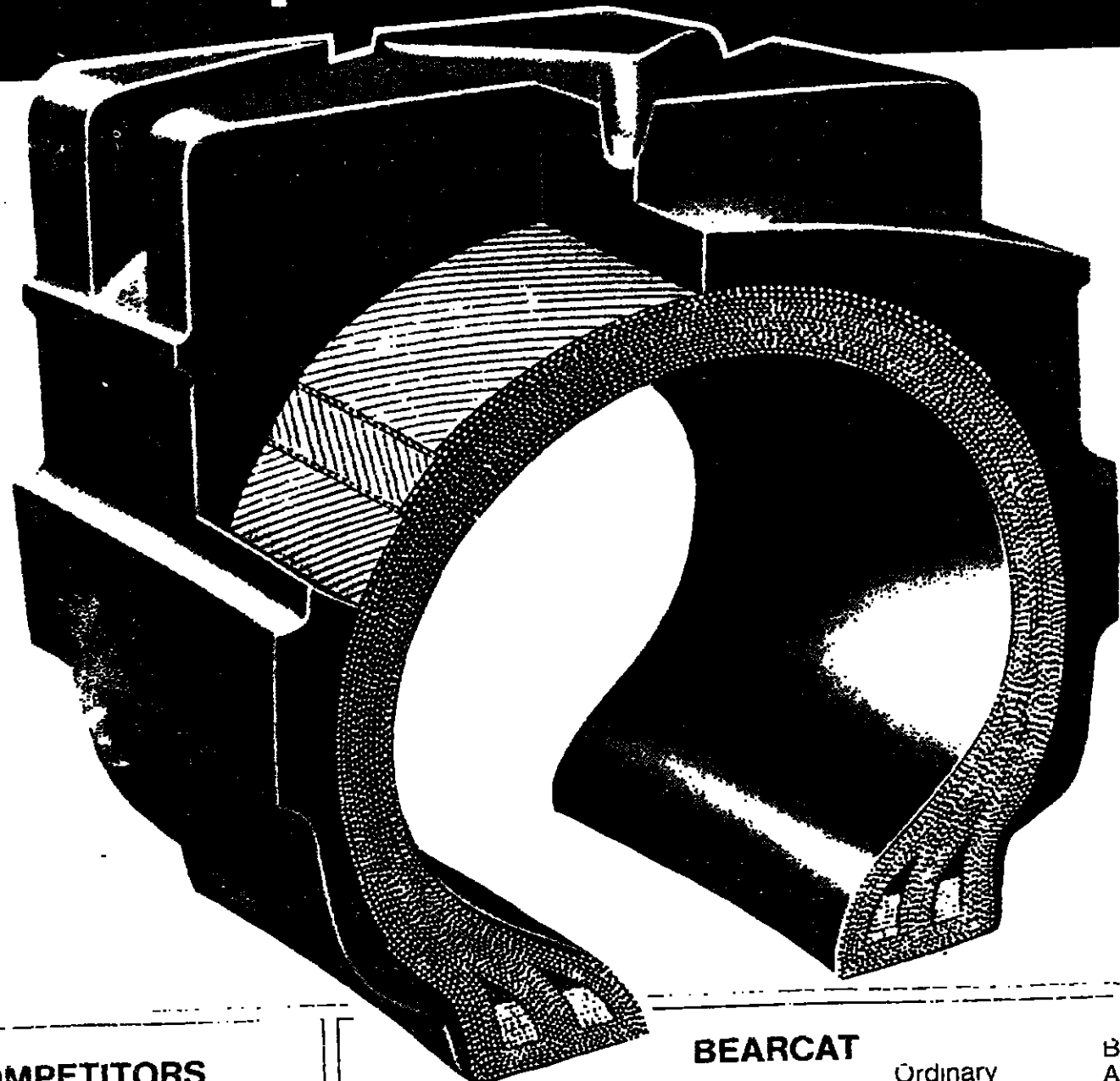
The sizzling banter of Coward's  
script — he is the master of repar-  
tee — has to move quickly or it  
falls flat. The production dragged.  
Two hours is just too long for this  
play. Still, it is not easy to move  
from biting dialogue to tenderness  
to a pillow-throwing scene and  
hold the attention of the audience.  
The blocking for Amanda's and  
Elyot's tussle was brilliant and it is  
a pity that the timing and light-  
footed pace did not extend to the  
rest of the production. For this,  
the director must take responsibil-  
ity.

It must be asked why the actors  
were not told simply to freeze  
when an airplane flies overhead  
and to begin speaking again only  
after it has disappeared. It is a dif-  
ficult trick to learn but, though the  
actor may feel a bit awkward, it is  
not in the least disconcerting to  
the audience and is infinitely pref-  
erable to an actor trying vainly to  
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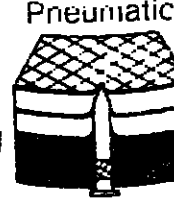


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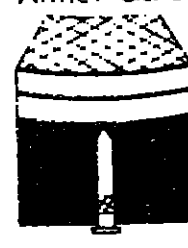


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## Stirrings in Asia's next trouble spot

By Leonard Rayner

**HONG KONG.** — "Burma is not and never has been a nation in the sense that all or nearly all of its people share a common set of values, beliefs and goals and acknowledge a primary loyalty to a polity that transcends their loyalty to race, religion or place of origin."

So said an American expert recently — and his words well sum up a country that has become the odd man out in South-East Asia.

The British, who ruled the country for some 60 years, made great favorites of the hill tribes, the Chins, Karens, Shans and the rest, but never achieved the same happy relationship with the more sophisticated, worldly Burmans of the Irrawaddy plain, who make up two-thirds of the population.

After independence in 1948, there was an almost natural development of separatist movements by the tribes, a move encouraged by the decline in living standards. In common with the rest of South-East Asia, the late 1940s saw the onset of Communist insurgency in Burma, but it was a more complex situation than elsewhere in the region.

After the 1949 collapse of the Kuomintang in China, their forces crossed into Burma and, from bases in the Shan States, made forays back into Mao's People's Republic. The situation deteriorated until, in 1956, the Chinese invaded Burma.

Eventually an uneasy peace came when the KMT forces were rounded up and a treaty of friendship

and non-aggression was signed between Peking and Rangoon in 1960.

Parallel with the Chinese problem were the activities of two rival local Communist parties, the Communist Party of Burma (Red Flag), whose fortunes have declined since the capture and execution of its leader Thakin Soe in the early 1970s, and the more effective Peking-oriented Burmese Communist Party (white flag), whose active strength is reported at between 15,000 and 20,000.

The BCP has made common cause with the separatist Federal National Democratic Front (FNDP) formed in 1975 by the Arakan Liberation Party, the Karen National Union, the Karenni National Progressive Party, the New Mon State Party and the Shan States Progressive Party. Peking has officially given its blessing to the BCP and its program to overthrow the government of President Ne Win. By inference this blessing also extends to the FNDP and its leader Bo Mya.

This is the situation in Burma as Ne Win, now 68 years old and in indifferent health, faces the fact that, in 30 years of independence, Burma has found no lasting solutions to its political and economic problems despite being potentially one of the richest countries in Asia.

In the days of the British it was the leading exporter of rice and teak, a major oil producer with considerable wealth in a wide range of mineral and agricultural products. The major oil field at Yenang-gyung (literally vein of oil) has been

allowed to deteriorate through lack of proper maintenance and expertise.

Enough oil is produced for local use but only because the depressed economy results in low demand for oil products. Petrol is cheap but there are few cars, mostly very old and barely kept going with locally produced spare parts.

The teak forests cannot be properly exploited because of guerrilla insurgency, nor can there be any planned reforestation. Despite two good agriculture harvests in 1977 and 1978, the government has only been able to reduce inflation to 20 per cent and the outlook is bleak.

In 1962, after 14 disastrous years of democratic government, the then General Ne Win, Chief of the General Staff, overthrew the government of civilian Prime Minister U Nu, who had failed to fulfill pledges given in the 1959 general election and had allowed the separatist movements to gain momentum.

Ne Win's military dictatorship leaders, Brigadier Aung Gye, a practical moderate, and Brigadier Tin Pe, a theoretical Socialist, were soon clashing over Burma's way ahead. Aung Gye lost and went into religious exile in 1963, leaving Tin Pe to run riot for six years with impractical pseudo-Socialist experiments, using military officers with neither the understanding nor the ability to carry out Tin Pe's designs.

What reserves Burma had were frittered away on sub-standard equipment from East Europe supplied without spare parts or maintenance facilities.

policemen derives its importance from the potentially fatal blow on black police morale which attackers nearly inflicted.

These two attacks were preceded by three earlier attacks on police stations in black townships in a densely populated and strategically important industrial area centring on South Africa's large town of Johannesburg. The earlier attacks were relatively crude, thus pointing to growing sophistication among the guerrillas.

Apart from attacks on police stations, there have been attacks on individual black policemen at their homes. In 1976 the home of Det.-Sgt. 'Hlu' Chapi was petrol bombed. In 1977 Det.-Sgt. Leonard Nkosi, a black security policeman, was shot dead, reportedly by an ANC assassin's squad. In 1978, a black member of South Africa's intelligence agency was shot dead.

It is difficult to assess the impact of the campaign. The latest annual report by the South African Commissioner of Police does, however, hint at difficulty in recruiting blacks for service in white designated South Africa.

The report describes recruitment of whites generally successful and says recruitment of coloureds and Indians presented 'no significant problems'. Of black recruitment, it says: "Everywhere possible has been done to fill the vacancies which resulted from the transfer of police stations to staff to the (black) homelands."

But it would be premature to read too much into the statement. It may simply mean that transfer men to the 'homelands' has created a gap which posing short-term problems.

It is nevertheless interesting to note that the Minister of Police, Louis Le Grange, recently announced he had taken a decision in principle to recruit black policemen for the first time.

Le Grange's statement may point to a shortage of recruits or it may merely be the result of general government trend to the equalising of policy for the different races. White women police were recruited for the first time in 1972 and Le Grange's announcement about black women can be interpreted as its belated but logical corollary.

Spilling unemployment in the black community could counteract guerrilla plans to discourage blacks from serving in the police force. Alternatively black unemployment, which some analysts put at more than two million, may drive more young men into the ranks of the secret army against apartheid. — (OFNS)

## QUESTIONS IN LISBON

The Palestine Liberation Organization preempted the expected disinformation campaign after the attack on the Israeli embassy in Lisbon by denying all responsibility and insisting that its military actions are conducted solely in occupied Palestine.

The Lisbon attack is so obviously contrary to the interests of the PLO, and so clearly directed against its recent successes in Western Europe generally, that the finger of suspicion cannot but be directed to the enemies of the cause of the Palestinians.

To choose Lisbon, now that a PLO office is to open there soon, and just after the conclusion of Yasser Arafat's successful visit there together with the Conference of Solidarity with the Arab nation, is to strike directly at the Palestinian cause.

The Israelis lost no time in trying to exploit the situation. Indeed so prompt was their reaction — which declared that every European country which had dealings with the Palestinians soon suffered the effects of their terror — that their security service itself has to be under suspicion.

The Israeli reaction points to Israel's continued wilful and total blindness to the root cause of all the violence in the Middle East — namely, the occupation of Arab lands and the denial of the rights of the Palestinian people. The Lisbon attack is a link in a vast chain of terror which will not be broken until the just demands of the Palestinians are met. Only then will we see an end to such incidents, when those who instigate them will have no more cause to do so.

This is the simple fact which Israel does not want to recognize, as Bassam Al Shakaa, mayor of Nablus, found to his cost. All he said to the Israelis was that it was their occupation of Arab lands and denial of the rights of its inhabitants which has caused Palestinian violence. Remove the cause and the effect will be removed.

## King Hussein's venture in shuttle diplomacy

By Juliet Pearce

**AMMAN.** — Jordan's King Hussein is trying with fellow Arabs to adopt a positive and united strategy in the face of American peace-making moves in the Middle East.

It is an ambitious task and will face its first test at the Nov. 20 Arab summit in Tunis.

Already described by Arab pundits as a 'milestone' and 'summit of the century', the meeting of Arab heads of state has an historic significance: in the Muslim calendar, the opening date will be *Moharram 1, 1400* — the start of a new century. Hussein would like this to be a century of real Arab unity and concrete action.

During the past two weeks he has traveled to Iraq, Syria and Saudi Arabia, the latter trip combined with the annual Pilgrimage to Mecca. In his official statements, he has denied having a specific plan for the Tunis summit. All he wants, he says, is for the Arabs to sit down together to clarify their

views and 'think in a positive way' a year after the Baghdad summit which rejected the Camp David agreements.

At Baghdad the Arabs agreed to boycott Egypt for its treaty with Israel but offered no alternative strategy toward the permanent peace which continues to elude the Middle East.

Hussein feels strongly the time has come to consider new proposals, particularly in view of the stalemate in the talks on Palestinian autonomy under Israeli rule. He himself denies that he is a 'rejectionist'.

"I haven't been a rejectionist in terms of rejecting anything," he says. "There hasn't been anything that makes sense that I could have accepted."

While Egypt and Syria, profiting from American initiatives, have managed to recover some of their territory from Israel, the West Bank is still entirely occupied. And to Hussein "the occupied territories are indivisible. The occupation must end."

His inability to recover the West Bank and his

disappointment with lack of American pressure on Israel pushed Hussein away from the U.S. He has shown to the U.S. that, despite American subsidies, he can take an independent position. And he has shown to the Arabs that, seven years after ousting Palestinian commandos as a result of a bloody civil war, he still espouses the Arab cause.

Unlike others, Hussein is not given to rhetoric. He likes specific programs and concrete action. Many observers doubt that the Arab world is ripe for such an approach.

During the past year Jordan has been active on the Arab and world scene, mainly in resuming dialogue with the Palestine Liberation Organization and promoting the PLO as spokesman for the Palestinians. In this sense Hussein's diplomacy has been particularly successful in Western Europe.

Jordan's preoccupation with the Palestinians is understandable: over 70 per cent of Hussein's 2.5 million subjects are Palestinians.

Because of his action against the PLO in 1970-71, they are no longer a troublesome element. Indeed they contribute to the country's prosperity — an exodus of Palestinian workers to the oil producing Gulf states has brought a lot of money to the refugee camps.

Television sets and washing machines have found their way to miserable shacks which remain a symbol of a lost homeland.

The fact that the national aspirations of a large portion of Jordan's population have been satisfied is a serious problem for Jordanian diplomacy — hampered by the Kingdom's small size and its reliance on aid from the U.S. and several Arab countries.

Yet the king's prestige is considerable, mainly due to the fact that he has maintained the country's cohesion and internal security, at the same time launching Jordan on the road to relative prosperity. Whether his point of view will prevail at the summit of the century, remains to be seen. — (OFNS)

## saudi press review

Most newspapers led with Second Deputy Premier and Commander of the National Guard Prince Abdullah's denial of the presence of Saudi troops in Bahrain and his stress that Gulf security was the responsibility of the Gulf states themselves. *Al-Medina* said in a lead story Saudi Arabia was doing everything possible to clear the Arab atmosphere, now shrouded with mutual differences. Iran's attitude toward the United States and its demand for a Security Council meeting and an investigation of the alleged crimes of the deposed Shah were highlighted in a lead story by *Al-Jazirah* newspaper.

A majority of newspapers gave front-page prominence to the Arab Foreign Ministers' Conference which began in Tunis Wednesday, in preparation for the Arab summit meeting due on Nov. 20. *Al-Jazirah* said in a front-page story that the Kingdom gave half a billion riyals to North Yemen annually to boost that

country's budget. *Okaz* reported on its front page that Britain has agreed to grant total independence to Rhodesia. Newspapers also highlighted a press statement issued at the end of the Finnish Foreign Minister's three-day visit to Saudi Arabia. They also reported large-scale unrest in Israel in the wake of resignations by the Arab mayors on the occupied West Bank. Planning Minister Sheikh Hissam Nazar was reported by *Al-Bilad* as saying King Khaled took a personal interest in the implementation of industrial projects in the Kingdom.

"Arab diplomacy is capable of exerting fruitful efforts to clear the Arab atmosphere from mutual differences, and Saudi Arabia will never shrink in its responsibility toward the achievement of unity and solidarity among the Arabs," the paper said.

Dealing with the Arab Foreign Ministers' conference now being held in Tunis, *Al-Jazirah* said the aim of this conference was to prepare a unified working paper to be discussed by the Arab Kings and Heads of State in their summit meeting next Tuesday.

The paper said "we do not want the Arab conferences to make delays or to discuss unobjective matters, but we want the Arab leaders to close the door of the conference hall behind them and come out only after they have agreed on everything. Despite all their varying ideologies and policies, the Arabs have the major issue of Palestine which brings them all together. With this point in view, it will indeed be a matter

of immense happiness if the summit conference adopted resolutions that were more effective than the previous ones," the paper said.

*Al-Riyadh* also dealt with the Arab Foreign Ministers' meeting and the summit conference. It said editorially that "the foreign ministers will be faced with a major responsibility of cutting down the task of the summit by working to end all differences and reaching a complete accord on all matters. Their success will help the Arab leaders to devote themselves for the higher causes, with a view to reaching total agreement on any joint plan without any reservations."

The paper said the Arab nation has pinned great hopes on the two conferences and is optimistic that they will bring forth a new dawn to illuminate the future of the Arabs and help them regain what they have lost. "We only wish that the upcoming summit conference complement the success achieved

by the Baghdad of last year and help us achieve further victories more positively and effectively," said the paper.

Again on the same subject, *Okaz* said the prevailing circumstances would urge the foreign ministers to reach positive results to ensure a joint Arab action and the unity of Arab ranks. They will be called upon to unify their stances on the issue of South Lebanon, so that they can foil Israel's attempts at aggravating the situation in Lebanon.

The paper hoped the foreign ministers' discussions will benefit the higher interests of the nation and achieve solidarity in the face of prevailing challenges. Their unified stance will help the Arab leaders to work with all the force at their command for the clearance of the Arab atmosphere, it said, adding that their unified approach will also help in resisting Israel's aggressive policy against the Arabs.



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## White House Years Middle East 1970

Editor's note: Arab News begins publishing a new chapter of former Secretary of State Henry Kissinger's memoirs, *White House Years*.

As 1970 began, the gods of war were inspecting their armaments, and it was clear they would soon be needed. There was daily combat along the Suez Canal. Then in January Israel began "deep penetration" air raids with bombing attacks around Cairo and the Nile delta designed to demonstrate Nasser's impotence and force an end to the so-called war of attrition. Israeli Prime Minister Golda Meir was quoted as telling visitors she could not say when peace could be possible so long as Nasser ruled Egypt. On the Jordan front the vicious cycle of fedayeen and Israeli reprisal accelerated. Israel and Syria clashed in the Golan. Finally, at the end of May, Nasser suddenly paid a secret visit to Moscow. Thereafter, the problems of the Middle East began increasingly to merge with the relations of the superpowers.

The United States was hand-dipped at this stage by a serious disagreement within our government on the nature of the problem. The perception of the State Department was that the root of our difficulties was the Arab-Israeli conflict over territory, not that was resolved, the spurs held, the influence of the radical Arabs would dwindle and with it the Soviet role in the Middle East. These views had guided our diplomacy throughout 1969 and had caused us to put forward increasingly specific proposals for comprehensive settlements.

I had grave doubts about these assumptions and the course they seemed to suggest. My assessment, as I explained to the President in a memorandum, was that Arab radicalism had five sources: Israel's conquests of territory; Israel's very existence; social and economic dissatisfactions; opposition to Western interests; and opposition to the Arab moderates. Only the first of these components could be affected by a settlement. The others would remain. Western capitalism would remain a thorn in the side of Arab radicalism. Arab moderate regimes would continue

to be unacceptable. The causes of social and economic unrest would persist. Israel would still be there for the Arab radicals to seek to erase. And the Israelis understood this. It was precisely because the issue for them was the existence of Israel, and not its particular frontiers, that they were so reluctant to give up their conquests.

Nor was I convinced that Soviet influence would inevitably be diminished by a resolution of the Arab-Israeli conflict. Much would turn on the manner and detail of the settlement. A comprehensive approach involving all the parties would inherently favor the radicals by giving the most intransigent governments a veto over the entire process. If a settlement then appeared to result from Soviet pressure or blackmail, the radical regimes with their anti-Western and pro-Soviet orientation would be strengthened. Territories would be seen as returning to Soviet clients.

We needed not to work for any solution but also to demonstrate that progress could be achieved best by our friends; that, in other words, the moderates held the key to peace in the Middle East. I was convinced that we were in a strong position to teach this lesson. "The advantage to us," I advised Nixon in early February, "is that the Arabs will come to realize that it is the U.S. and not the USSR that holds the key to what they want." And at a meeting of the Senior Review Group on February 25 I observed: "At some point it will become apparent that time is not working for the Soviets. If they cannot get Arab territory back, the Arabs may well come to us." Therefore, we should not yield to blackmail; we should not be panicked by radical rhetoric; patience could be our weapon. By the same token, once the breakthrough had occurred and the moderate Arabs had turned to us, we had to move decisively to produce diplomatic progress.

But I was in no position to carry out such a strategy. Nixon had assigned the Middle East to

Rogers. The President was reluctant to intervene even when he had second thoughts. Nor was he — at this stage — convinced that my strategy was correct. He still believed that the Soviet Union had been the political victor of the 1967 war. He had not abandoned some vague notion of a trade-off with the Soviet Union between the Middle East and Vietnam. He considered himself less obligated to the Jewish constituency than any of his predecessors had been and was eager to demonstrate that he was impervious to its pressures. He also had his doubts as to whether my Jewish faith might warp my judgment. Normally I would have shaped his strategic options and given tactical guidance to the departments. But I was precluded from doing this in Middle East policy until late in 1971.

Thus, in the Middle East our policy lacked the single-minded sense of direction that Nixon usually demanded and normally imposed. He let matters drift, confident that with my help he could always take over before matters got out of hand. He permitted a range of discretion to the State Department unthinkable in any other area. But because when all was said and done his convictions were closer to mine than to those of Rogers, he applied the brakes just often enough to prevent a coherent application of the State Department approach.

In the process we had to learn the painful lesson that events can be dominated only by those with a clear set of goals. A nation gets no awards for confusion masquerading as moderation. For the adversary may mistake goodwill for acquiescence and confuse restraint with weakness. He may be genuinely surprised — indeed, feel tricked — when after much travail we finally and grudgingly turn to the defense of our interests. The result is a crisis.

From the perspective of a decade I do not doubt that our desire to avoid further showdowns in the year of Cambodia and domestic turmoil, and compulsive eagerness for solutions unrelated to the psychological necessities of the Mideast parties, tempted Soviet probes. I believe, too, that it was our ultimate decision to resist these probes that provided

the basis for the eventual turn toward negotiations, both in the Middle East and with the Soviet Union generally.

### The Kosygin Letter

On January 31 1970, Ambassador Dobrynin delivered a letter from Soviet Premier Alexei Kosygin to the President at my basement office in the White House. Normally, this would have made it part of the special Channel. On this occasion, however, we were informed that similar communications were being sent to Prime Minister Wilson and President Pompidou. Since the British and French were certain to consult with us, we thus had no choice but to put it into regular channels on our side. Obviously once the exchanged had grown so formal it was bound to become public.

Kosygin's letter warned that Israel had in effect resumed military operations against the Arab

drawal of Israeli forces from all the occupied Arab territories.

Forwarding this letter to Nixon, I pointed out that this was the first Soviet threat to the new Administration. While Kosygin stopped short of threatening any specific action, "the position that Israel must withdraw before other issues are settled is a return to the Soviet position of 1967, which seems to negate much of the progress made in the US-USSR talks last summer." At the same time I saw the Kosygin letter as part of the process through which our stronger position in Middle East was being demonstrated.

Our policy of holding firm creates the following dilemma for them (the Soviets): If they do not agree to our proposals, they get nothing, the onus for escalation falls on them and their client will lose if the escalation leads to a major clash. If they do agree, they would have to deliver their client on our terms. The strategy of our

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states. The Soviet Union was studying to what extent Israel's operations had been coordinated with the diplomatic actions of "certain powers" — a not very subtle hint that our innocent 1969 peace proposals had been a cover for Israel's deep penetration air raids. If Israel's attacks continued, the letter said, "the Soviet Union will be forced to see to it that the Arab states have means at their disposal, with the help of which a due rebuff to the arrogant aggressor could be made." Kosygin called on the Four Powers to "compel" Israel to cease its attacks and to establish a lasting peace beginning with the "speediest with-

reply that I propose is to come down very hard on the Soviet threat; to relate Israeli observance of the cease fire to corresponding observance by the side, including irregular forces; to press the Soviets to spell out their views on what the Arabs would commit themselves to if Israel withdrew.

the cycle of escalation by beginning the war of attrition. Nixon's reply warned that the Soviet threat to expand arms shipments, if carried out, could draw the major powers more deeply into the conflict. "The United States is watching carefully the relative balance in the Middle East and we will not hesitate to provide arms to friendly states as the need arises." The message concluded by rejecting the Soviet position that Israel would have to withdraw before any other peace issues could be settled.

On the same day I sent the President further reflections on the Soviet note. I considered the note an odd maneuver and therefore disturbing.

It should not have taken much intelligence to expect at least the US (if not France and the UK) to reply that it favors restoration of the ceasefire on a reciprocal basis. Thus the upshot of the Soviet move will be to place the onus for getting the ceasefire restored on Nasser and the Arabs, and through them on the Soviets themselves, rather than on us and the Israelis.

Two days later, in a long analysis for the President of basic issues of Middle East strategy, I reiterated my view: "Now that he (Nasser) has turned to Moscow to lean on us to press Israel to stop the bombing, he is about to demonstrate Soviet inability to get him out of his box."

Precisely because Kosygin's letter seemed so diffuse and asked for nothing that could in fact be done, I began to be convinced that it could not be an isolated move; it had to be part of a larger scheme, almost certainly the precursor of some concrete action in the military field. Its vagueness might be explained by the desire to discourage a response that might interfere with decisions already made. From the autobiographies of Anwar Sadat and Muhammad Heikal we now know in fact that while Nasser was in Moscow in late January decision had been made to send Egypt the most advanced Soviet anti-aircraft missiles. The Kosygin letter was not a warning but a smokescreen.

In the first week of February, indications appeared that the Soviets might send new arms to

Egypt. I expressed to Nixon my doubts that military equipment alone would be of use. If the new arms simply augmented the existing arsenal, they would be destroyed by the Israelis; if they were more sophisticated, the Egyptians would not be able to operate them. This raised a more ominous possibility: if the Soviets sought to do something effective against Israeli attacks, "this would almost certainly seem to involve Soviet personnel." Reading my analysis Nixon wrote in the margin: "I think it is time to talk directly with the Soviets on this. Acheson's idea — 'let the dust settle' — won't work. State's 'negotiate in any forum' won't work. We must make a try at a bilateral talks to see if a deal in our interests is possible."

To carry out Nixon's wishes I moved on two fronts. Our Ambassador in Moscow, Jacob Beam, was instructed by the State Department to tell Foreign Minister Gromyko that the United States was prepared to work for restoration of the ceasefire and to discuss arms limitation on both sides. Not unexpectedly, Gromyko's response to Beam on February 11 was noncommittal. The USSR, he said, could not consider a cease-fire unless Israel first stopped its deep penetration raids.

He was not against discussing arms limitations, but not so long as Israel occupied Arab lands; in other words, Israel would have to withdraw from all territories occupied in 1967. All this could be settled in the Two-Power talks, which the Soviet Union was prepared to resume.

One reason for Gromyko's evasiveness was undoubtedly that the Soviet Union was already examining a more authoritative statement of the American position. For the day before, on February 10, I met with Dobrynin on behalf of the President, and by the time Beam had his interview with Gromyko the Soviets could not have completed their analysis of my message. I told Dobrynin that "we want the Soviet leaders to know that the introduction of Soviet combat personnel in the Middle East would be viewed with the gravest concern. We chose this method of communication

because we did not want to make a formal confrontation. At the same time, reflecting Nixon's instructions, I told Dobrynin of our willingness to begin bilateral discussions on the Middle East in the special Channel.

Dobrynin never wasted a meeting even when he was clearly without instructions — as was the case here. He fell back on his litany of complaints about American actions; experience had taught him that in the Washington Establishment there was an inexhaustible reservoir of blame for every impasse. Appealing to this trait, he objected to the publicity surrounding the Kosygin letter (which of course the Soviets had triggered by simultaneous demarches in Paris and London) and to the public position of the State Department, which, he argued, had erroneously interpreted Moscow's December reply to our proposals on borders (the "Rogers Plan") as a rejection.

This latter revelation had clearly escaped everyone who had read Moscow's December note, including me. Nor had the Soviets previously contested the interpretation that they had rejected our formulations.

Nothing more was heard from the Soviet leaders for nearly a month. I sought to use the interval for contingency planning in anticipation of some significant Soviet move — almost certainly involving the introduction of military personnel in the Middle East. The various meetings of the WSAG once again exposed the divisions that had bedeviled the internal debate in 1969. My view was that if the Soviets introduced military personnel we had no choice but to resist, regardless of the merits of the issue that triggered the action.

We could not accept a new Soviet military presence unless we were prepared to see the radical Arab turn a perhaps decisive momentum. I wanted a review of our plans in case the Soviets threatened Israel with retaliation.

I also asked for measures to prevent the attrition of the Israeli air force should the Soviets introduce sophisticated equipment manned by their personnel.

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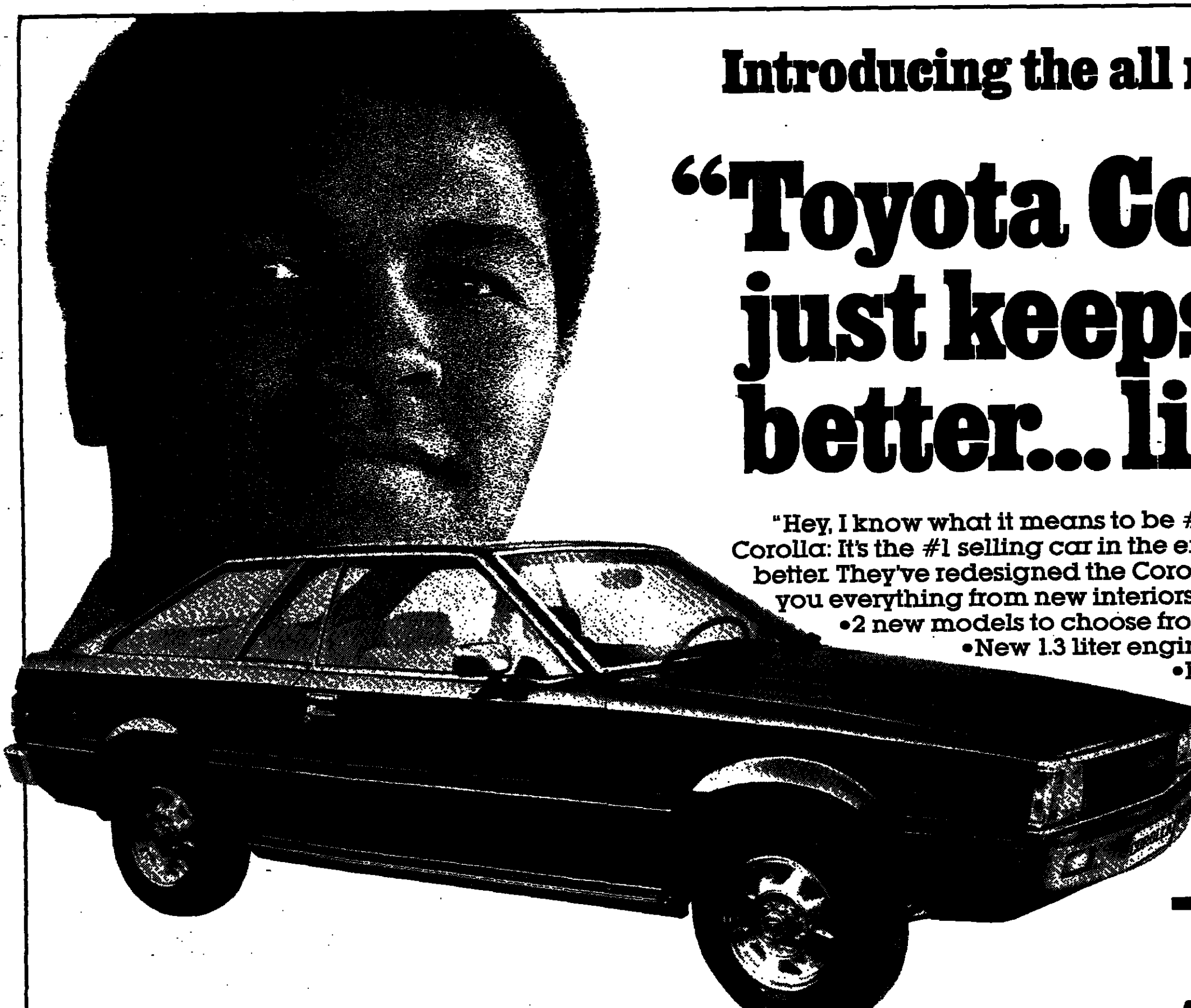
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## In terrorist ambush

## Argentinian businessman killed

BUENOS AIRES, Nov. 14 (AP) — Gunmen dressed as policemen have killed a prominent Argentine businessman and his chauffeur at a busy downtown intersection. Three terrorists died in a shootout with police and at least three others escaped, witnesses said Tuesday.

Six or seven terrorists drove their pick-up truck in front of Francisco Soldati's car during rush hour traffic, fired machine guns and set the vehicle on fire with a grenade, witnesses said.

Soldati, 71, was a former president of the Italo Argentina Electric Co. and a founder of the Argentine Businessman's Council.

A police patrol car arrived at the intersection within moments and officers opened fire on the terrorists, the Noticias Argentinas news agency reported. The shooting ended after a grenade or bomb exploded inside the van, destroying it.

Witnesses said three or four ter-

rorists fled to a nearby parking lot, forced a man and woman from their car and drove away in the heavy traffic.

Police found the bodies of three terrorists at the scene, and the badly burned bodies of Soldati and his 25-year-old chauffeur inside the car. The official Telam news agency said the dead gunmen, not identified, wore bullet-proof vests underneath their police uniforms and that one was a woman.

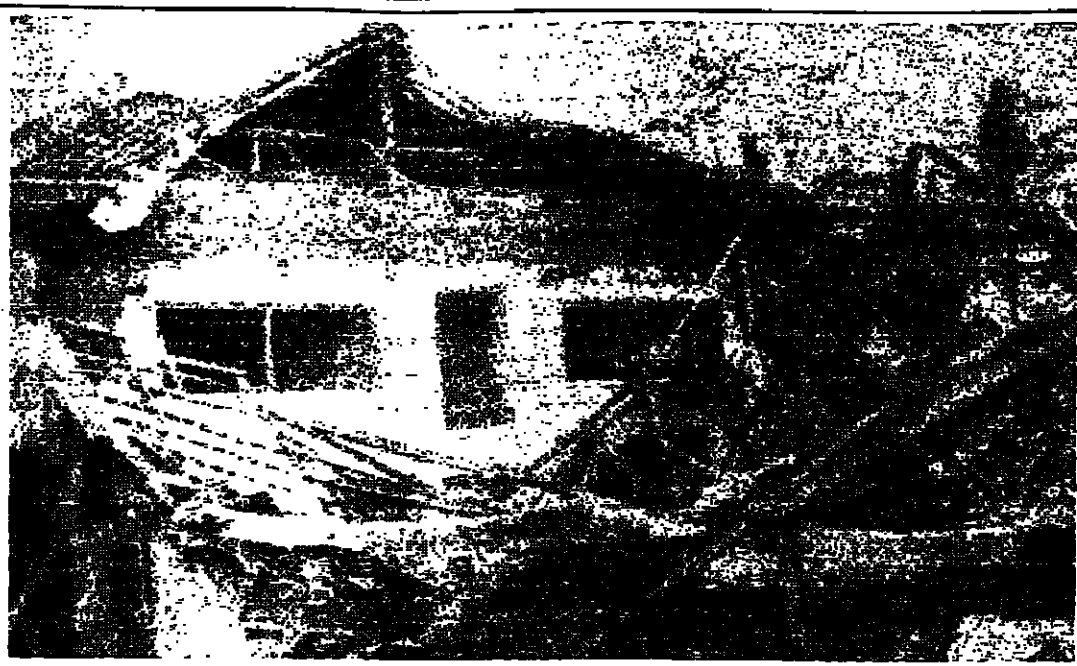
Soldati held leading positions in petroleum, pharmaceutical and chemical firms before becoming president of the electric utility in 1966. He kept the job until the government bought the firm early this year, but continued as a director of the Banco de Credito Argentino, a private bank. Francisco Soldati Jr., oldest of his four children, is a director of Argentina's central bank.

Soldati's assassination was similar to an attempt on the life of Treasury Secretary Juan Alemann

last Wednesday. Gunmen in a truck intercepted Alemann's car and opened fire, but the official, his chauffeur and his bodyguard escaped serious injury. The Montoneros, a leftwing guerrilla group opposing the military government, claimed responsibility for that attack and for another one 40 days earlier that destroyed the home of Guillermo Walter Klein, Argentina's secretary of economic planning. Klein and his family survived, but his two bodyguards died.

The Montoneros were one of two guerrilla groups that kidnapped representatives of businessmen, labor leaders, policemen and government officials in the late 1960s. The armed forces virtually wiped out both groups after taking power in 1976, but a cell of Montoneros claims to have returned from exile this year to attack the government's economic advisers.

In Santa Fe, military authorities said they had arrested several terrorist suspects in weekend raids on homes in two northern provinces.



EARTHQUAKE DESTROYS: What once was the office of a Bandung, Indonesia, village lies reduced to a pile of rubble after a major earthquake that hit Java last week. The quake killed 30 people.

## At East-West conference

## Europe pledges to fight pollution

GENEVA, Nov. 14 (AP) — Eastern and Western European nations, in an unprecedented joint effort to protect the environment, have promised to try to combat air pollution across borders and cut down on the use of raw materials in industry.

In the first ministerial meeting on the environment ever held under United Nations auspices, the 34 countries Tuesday pledged in a 10-article convention to try to "limit and, as far as possible, gradually reduce and prevent" all forms of air pollution, particularly toxic transborder emissions.

Open for signature throughout the four-day meeting here, the convention commits the nations to consult each other in developing measures to monitor pollutants, particularly sulphur dioxide.

Until now, measures to control the transport of pollutants have been agreed upon in several bilateral conventions.

The convention was promoted

especially by the Scandinavian countries, often hit by freak winds carrying emissions from industrial centers in both Eastern and Western countries, including Britain and West Germany.

Norwegian Environment Minister Rolf Hansen said rains carrying airborne sulphur had diminished fish stocks in a majority of the lakes and rivers in his country.

Hansen said failure to implement the convention would result

in "serious continued deterioration of the environment."

It was the first time the Soviet Union accepted the European Community as an equal treaty partner. The community as a whole, as well as its individual members, will sign the text.

In a speech to the meeting, the Soviet delegation reminded fellow delegates of its "reservations" toward the community's role, but said the Soviet Union would immediately sign the document.

## Planned BBC budget cuts abandoned after pressure

LONDON, Nov. 14 (AP) — The British Broadcasting Corp. won a reprieve Tuesday night for its overseas radio broadcasts in seven languages — French, Italian, Greek, Turkish, Maltese, Burmese and Spanish to Europe.

Faced with stiff opposition to the measures from Laborites and Conservatives alike, the government told the House of Commons the planned economies will be made elsewhere in the BBC budget.

The six-month-old government of Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher announced Nov. 1 it

was paring about \$ 5.6 million from next year's Foreign Office grant to the BBC's external services.

The government avoided a possible defeat in the Commons by accepting a Labor motion opposing the measures in the external services. Peter Blaker, minister of state in the Foreign Office, said the cuts would be made instead in the capital program to boost transmitter power around the world.

Peter Shore, opposition spokesman on foreign affairs, called the planned cuts in broadcasts "absurd and damaging."

## Namibia talks start on note of optimism

GENEVA, Nov. 14 (AP) — The United Nations-organized talks on Namibia continued Tuesday in an apparent mood of guarded optimism. Western sources expressed satisfaction at South Africa's decision, announced earlier in Pretoria, to participate in the consultations which center on the proposed establishment of a 1,400-kilometer demilitarized zone along Namibia's border with Angola and Zambia.

One source close to the talks said some of the questions the African "frontline" states had about a U.N. paper outlining the project could be clarified. The zone is to be patrolled by U.N. troops and allow peaceful preparations of an election under U.N.

control which would lead to independence.

The source said he continued to feel that the outstanding obstacles should be surmountable and that it was remarkable how far all parties concerned had come toward a solution in the past two years of discussing the Western-initiated proposal for a Namibia settlement.

The South Africans were expected to join in the consultations immediately after arrival sometime Thursday. The talks take the form of "simultaneous" discussions rather than plenary meetings, mostly because of South Africa's objections to the presence of the guerrilla-backed black nationalist South West African Peoples Organization.

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## Over \$100m sought for U.S. strike force

WASHINGTON Nov. 14 (AP) — U.S. Army wants more than \$100 million provided in next year's defense budget for a "strike force" to protect American interests in trouble spots around the world.

The \$100 million, the army could ensure such a force would be able to sustain itself in developed areas far from shore.

Planners also want to use the force with heavy artillery and with updated weapons.

First key units in the United States are being designated by the army to service the force, as well as the units will be those assigned to reinforce North Atlantic Treaty Organization forces in Western Europe.

Defense Secretary Harold Brown has described the "strike force" as a "N. committee to check border."

PHNOM PENH, Nov. 14 (AP) — A fact-finding mission arrived Wednesday to begin a week study of the situation in the tense Thai-Cambodian border.

A five-man delegation was headed to Thailand by U.N. Secretary General Kurt Waldheim at the request of Thai Prime Minister Kriangsak Chomanan.

Waldheim last month asked the United Nations to send a committee to permanently stationed in order after criticism of Thai role in the Cambodian conflict.

The Hanoi-backed Cambodian government in Phnom Penh have accused Thailand of siding with the guerrillas of the Cambodian Premier Pol Pot.

signed troops at "a reservoir from which such a force would be drawn" to deal with crisis contingencies in distant parts of the world.

Pentagon officials have stressed such a force would not be organized specifically for use in any specific region.

Brown has said the army element in such a force could range from a platoon of rangers to a corps of several divisions numbering more than 100,000 men, including support units. The army units would operate with the air force, marines and navy.

Planners believe that keeping such a force supplied with food, water, ammunition and necessary equipment would be one of the biggest problems facing them in a remote area.

Accordingly, army officials have recommended that the defense budget for the fiscal year that begins next Oct. 1, include \$58 million to create 14 new combat service support units and to increase the strength of existing support units by about 2,000 men.

Such units include teams trained in drilling water wells, and heavy equipment maintenance specialists.

Army officials acknowledge they are backing away from previous plans to draw on the army reserve for such support units because it cannot be relied on in an emergency.

The army also wants to convert a battalion of 105-millimeter howitzers to heavier 155-millimeter guns and to provide self-propelled heavy artillery as well as modernized CH-47 transport helicopters for the rapid deployment force.

They estimated that these items would cost more than \$30 million.

In addition, the army has suggested including about \$18 million for special training and to operate and maintain new weapons and other equipment for the force.

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ANGRY POSTER: A poster announces Sunday's funeral march for five leftists killed by Klansmen in Greensboro, North Carolina, at a rally last week. A court Tuesday set \$4,000 to \$5,000 bonds for the bail of 13 of 14 Klansmen arrested and charged with the killings.

### Accused of rally killings

## Klansmen's bail bonds set

GREENSBORO, Nov. 14 (AP) — Bond amounts from \$4,000 to \$5,000 have been set for 13 of 14 men charged in the shooting deaths of five leftists during an anti-Ku Klux Klan demonstration Nov. 3.

The bonds were set Tuesday, but by late in the evening none of the 13 had posted bail. The 14th defendant did not request it.

Twelve of the 14 are charged with five counts of first-degree murder and five counts of conspiracy to commit murder. The other two face the conspiracy charge only.

They are charged with firing into a crowd of demonstrators who attended a "death to the Klan" rally organized by the Workers Viewpoint Party in a predominantly black neighborhood.

The barrage of bullets and shotgun pellets resulted in the death of four white men and one black woman.

## Italian hospital explosion kills 7

PARMA, Italy Nov. 14 (AP) — An explosion of gas containers has demolished a section of the city hospital, killing at least 7 persons, officials have reported. Police Wednesday said there were about a score missing and thought still buried under the rubble.

Hopes dimmed for the missing. The explosion ripped through four floors in one wing of the E-shaped hospital, demolishing the third-floor operating room where two open-heart operations had been performed minutes before. The wreckage crashed down into the intensive care ward on the ground floor.

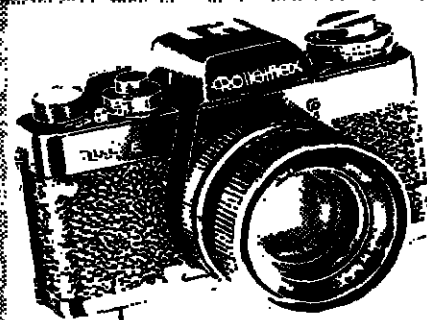
Flames shot out of the building, said a nurse. "The walls seemed to expand and then collapsed."

Hours after the blast Tuesday, faint cries of "help us, help us" were heard, but police, firemen and volunteer reached only the mangled bodies of the dead.

Cranes were brought in, working under floodlights, to lift blocks of concrete and hospital equipment.

The cause of the blast was not immediately determined but investigators said it may have been triggered by leaks of oxygen or other medical gases or a malfunction in a high-pressure machine used to sterilize surgical equipment.

Among those buried were three nurses who had been tending patients in the heart ward when the explosion described by police chief Enrico Toldo as "sounding like a powerful bomb" devastated the E-shaped modern building.



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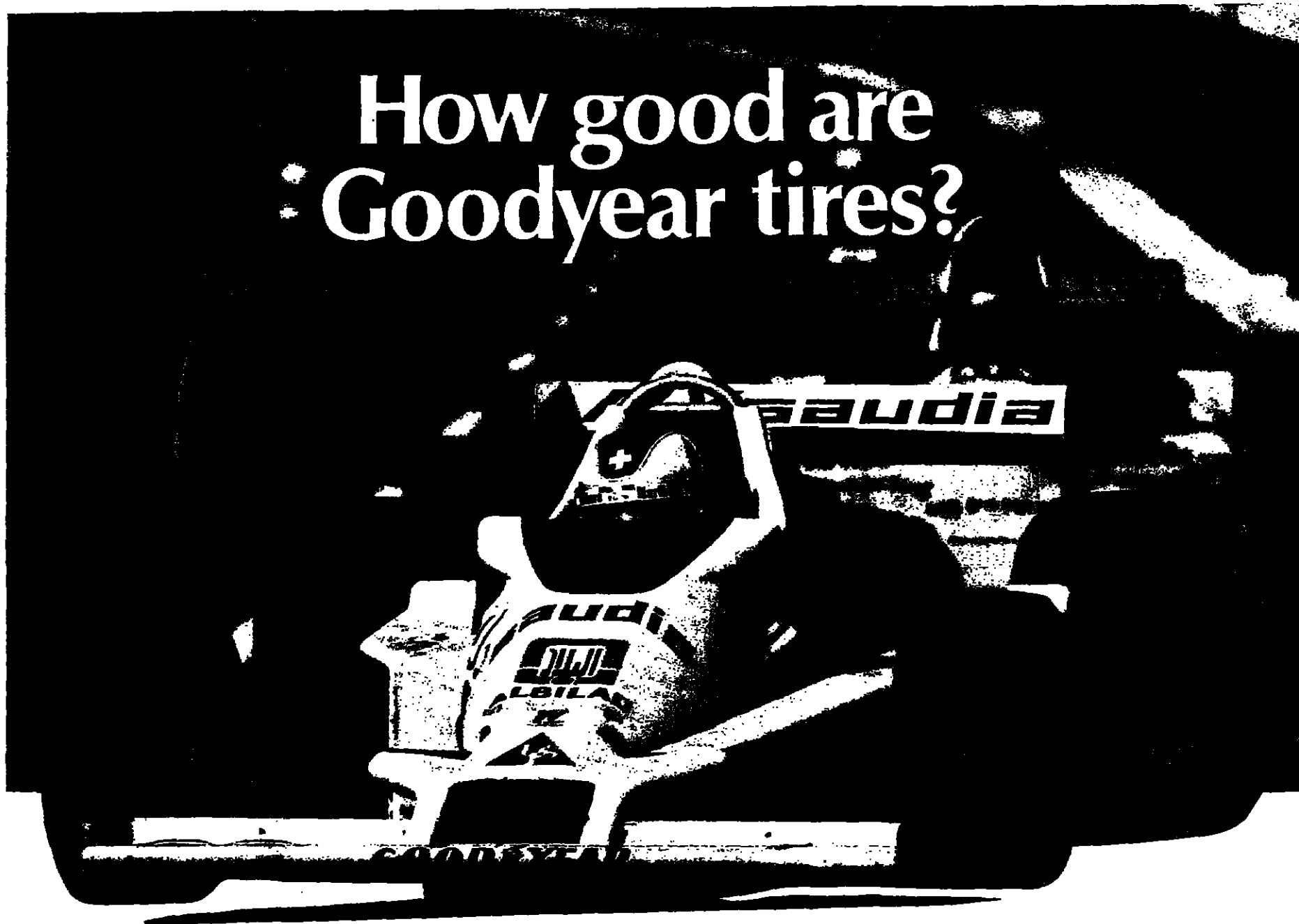
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## OECD predicts slump in U.S. real output

PARIS, Nov. 14 (AP)—Rocky times are ahead for the U.S. economy with real output expected to slump 3 per cent during the first half of 1980, recovering slightly in the last half for a 1.25 per cent drop over the year, the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development reported Wednesday.

"The deflationary thrust of oil price developments and a tighter policy stance on an economy which was already slowing, suggest that a lengthy period of increasing economic slack is in prospect," the OECD said in its annual survey of the American economy.

The sustained decline in real purchasing power, that is purchasing power after inflation is taken into account, and the corresponding fall in real consumer spending will be mainly responsible for the sharp fall in activity, the OECD experts said.

Real output in the U.S. grew 4.4 per cent in 1978 and is expected to be 2 per cent this year.

The OECD said total domestic demand is expected to shrink by 1.75 per cent next year, with the bulk of it—a 3.5 per cent annual rate—in the first six months. That compares with a growth of 1.5 per cent for all of 1979.

The OECD said its predictions were based on assumptions which precluded a stimulation of the economy by a significant easing of interest rates "either of which might induce a rebound in aggregate demand."

Declining economic activity, accelerating inflation, a growing oil import bill and renewed pres-

sure on the dollar have created a difficult situation for economic policy, the report said. It said unlike earlier periods of recession, there is little scope for monetary or fiscal deflationary measures in the present situation.

Top priority must be given to the reduction of inflation, the OECD experts said, welcoming the "remarkably moderate behavior" of wages against a background of worsening inflation and giving some credit to pay guidelines.

The report predicted a decline of 6 per cent in business fixed investment in 1980, mainly due to a fall of 9.5 per cent in the first half, compared with a growth of 1.75 per cent in 1979 and 7.1 per cent in 1978.

The bulk of the investment slump will be in housing, minus 17 per cent for all of next year, the survey said. This compares with a drop of 6.25 per cent in 1979 and a growth of 4.2 per cent in 1978.

Government expenditure is set to rise by 0.5 per cent next year, up from 0.25 per cent in 1979.

The OECD experts said the overall slowdown in real output is expected to increase unemployment to an annual rate of 7.5 per cent of the labor force by the second half of next year, from 6 per cent in the second half of this year.

The OECD expects net exports of goods and services to remain "an expansionary factor." An estimated 6 per cent growth in exports and stagnant imports, coupled with the deceleration of domestic demand, should improve the trade balance next year.

Based on the assumption that oil prices will not increase on a rate above those of manufactured goods, together with slight improvement in net invisibles such as tourism, insurance and services, the current external account of the United States should show a surplus of \$ 3 billion next year, compared with an expected deficit of 3.5 billion in 1979 and a deficit of 13.9 billion in 1978.

"This expected improvement, despite oil price rise, together with some moderation of inflation, may lead to an improved climate for investment in U.S. assets," the report said.

The OECD said energy developments and policies are not only of major importance to the U.S. economy but a matter of great international concern, and criticizes the United States for operating "an implicit subsidy on consumption."

However it praises the U.S. administration for having gone to considerable lengths to introduce policies more in line with the economies of the current and prospective energy situation, and notes that decontrol will bring a sharp increase in the relative price of oil in the next 18 months "over and above OPEC effects."

Despite good progress, some areas of the current energy program still need to be rounded off by congressional action—the windfall profits tax, legislation to reduce hardship among poorer consumers and emergency rationing schemes, the survey said.



William Miller

## Miller on Middle East tour for financial, energy talks

WASHINGTON Nov. 14 (AP)—U.S. Treasury Secretary G. William Miller will travel to Saudi Arabia and two other Middle East oil-producing countries next week "to discuss financial, economic and energy matters," the Treasury Department announced Tuesday.

Miller will also visit Kuwait and the United Arab Emirates, which, along with Saudi Arabia, are key members of the moderate bloc of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries.

While oil prices are not officially on the agenda of matters to be discussed, they obviously will be very much on Miller's mind in view that the OPEC countries will meet in Caracas on Dec. 12 to consider oil prices.

Several members of OPEC

already have increased oil prices above the official OPEC ceiling price, while U.S. officials feel some additional increase in the ceiling price is probably inevitable, they hope price moderates such as Saudi Arabia will work to keep any increase to a minimum.

The United States also would like assurances on maintaining current levels of oil production to help avert an oil shortage.

While the trip has been in the planning stages for several weeks, it has assumed greater significance because of the new Iranian crisis and the decision by President Jimmy Carter on Monday to cut off imports of oil from Iran.

Miller will leave for the Middle East on Nov. 22 and return on Nov. 29.

## Wall Street

NEW YORK, Nov. 14—At a pace set in morning trading, the market continued to lose in the afternoon hours with volume moderately active. At the closing bell the DJ industrial index lost 7.85 to 814.08, DJ transport added .82 to 236.75, and the DJ utilities rose .75 to 100.854. Volume of trading for the day was 29.5 million shares. Breadth was on the negative side as declines outnumbered advances 765 to 696 and 417 issues unchanged. The A.M.E.N. added .24 on the day to 213.33.

Growth and glimmers were slightly mixed with JNJ off 1/8 to 69 1/4, Merck fell 1/8 to 67 1/8, Pfizer lost 1/8 to 37 1/4, Smith Line advanced 1 1/2 to 58, Burroughs rose 1/2 to 71, Digital Equipment down 1/4 to 62 1/2, Honeywell gained 1/2 to 74, IBM down 1/2 to 62 1/4, National Semi down 1 to 30 1/4, Texas Inst. dropped 1 1/2 to 89 1/4, Polaroid lost 1/2 to 24 1/4, Gamble down 1/2 to 73 1/4.

Energy issues were mixed with Atlantic Richfield down 1/4 to 77, Marathon Oil rose 1 to 46 1/4, St. Oil of Ohio up 1/2 to 81, Lufco off 1/2 to 33 1/4, Mobil down 1 to 49 1/4, Exxon fell 1 to 57 1/4, Dresser rose 1/4 to 52 1/4, Halliburton down 1/4 to 76 1/4, Hughes Tool lost 1/4 to 46 1/4, Schlumberger dropped 1 to 90 1/4, Utd. Energy Resources lost 1/4 to 52, and Murphy Oil advanced 1/4 to 80 1/4.

In the basic industry sector, Bethlehem Steel lost 1/4 to 20 1/4, Colt Inds. advanced 1 1/4 to 45 1/4, Republic Steel down 1/2 to 25 1/4, Allied Chem. fell 1/4 to 44 1/4, Monsanto down 1/2 to 58 1/4, Union Carbide lost 1/4 to 39 1/4, Intl. Paper fell 1/4 to 36 1/4, Kimberly Clark lost 1/2 to 40 1/2.

Auto issues were lower with GM down 1/4 to 54 1/4, while machinery issues were higher with Intl. Harvester up 1/4 to 37 1/2, Ingersoll Rand gained 1/4 to 50 1/4, and Joy Mfg. rose 1/4 to 28 1/4.

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Lebanese Lira (100)	100.50	100.00	100.00
Syrian Lira (100)	78.00	78.00	78.00
Egyptian Pound	4.55	4.55	4.55
Kuwaiti Dinar	12.10	12.05	12.05
Jordanian Dinar	11.25	11.20	11.20
Emirates Dirham (100)	89.50	89.50	89.50
Qatari Riyal (100)	90.80	90.80	90.80
Bahraini Dinar	8.95	8.95	8.95
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Iraqi Dinar (100)	9.40	9.40	9.40
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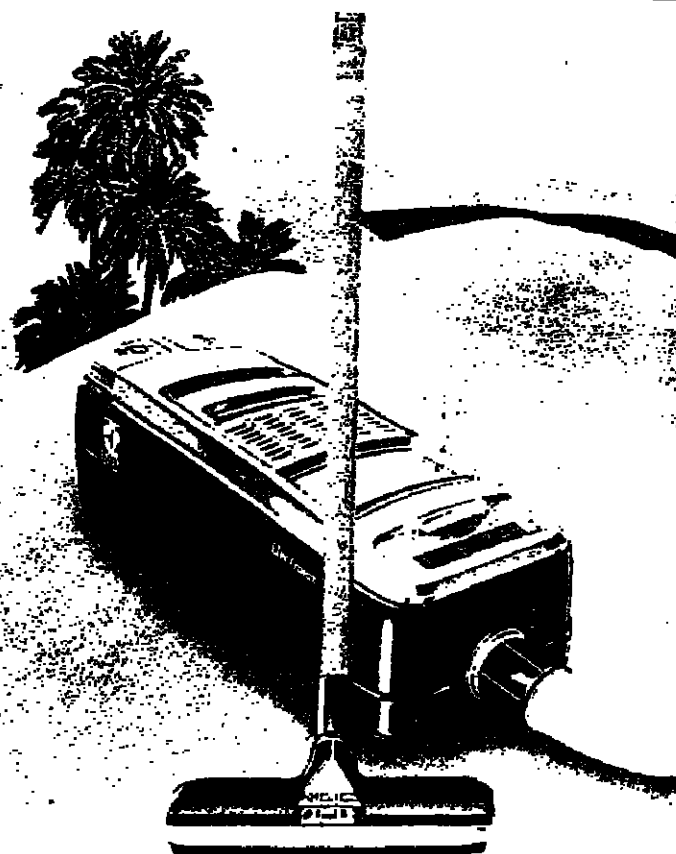
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## In NBA

## Philadelphia fails to hold off Kings

NEW YORK, Nov. 14 (AP) — "I think this is Darryl's lifelong dream — to shatter a backboard," Philadelphia guard Doug Collins said.

That's exactly what Darryl Dawkins, the muscular, 2.3-meter, 22-year-old who plays center for the 76ers, did in Kansas City Tuesday.

It happened early in the third quarter with the Kansas City Kings leading 49-45. Dawkins took a lob pass from Maurice Cheeks and turned to the basket, having beaten his man, Kings center Sam Lacey. The only other

Kansas City player nearby, forward Bill Robinson, decided to duck for safety.

As he dunked the ball, Dawkins' hands banged the iron rim of the basket. The fiberglass backboard shattered into hundreds of tiny pieces and the whole thing crashed to the hardwood floor.

Dawkins was unhurt but Robinson was cut on the hand.

The Kings won 110-103, snapping a six-game losing streak. Phil Ford led with 34 points and reserve guard Marlon Redmond scored 19.

In other National Basketball Association games, the San Antonio Spurs edged the Golden State Warriors 131-127 in overtime, the Houston Rockets trimmed the Chicago Bulls 128-127, the Los Angeles Lakers routed the San Diego Clippers 137-91, the Milwaukee Bucks beat the Portland Trail Blazers 101-92, the Washington Bullets defeated the New York Knicks 111-107, the Denver Nuggets trimmed the Cleveland Cavaliers 116-110 and the New Jersey Nets topped the Atlanta Hawks.

George Gerin, the NBA scoring champion last two years, scored 47 points for the Spurs, including six in overtime. His running mate at guard, James Silas, added 21 points and made two key plays at the end of the five-minute extra period.

Moses Malone cupped a brilliant 45-point, 22-rebound effort by sinking two free throws with no time remaining to carry Houston over Chicago.

Rookie Earvin "Magic" Johnson scored 22 points and was one of eight Los Angeles players to score in double figures as the Lakers hit 67.4 per cent of their field goal attempts.

Milwaukee raised its record to 13-3, best in the NBA, by beating the Blazers at Portland behind Marques Johnson's 34 points. The Bucks led 56-32 at intermission and were never in danger.

Phil Chenier, struggling to recover from a back injury which has limited his playing time since the 1976-77 season, scored 22 points to lead the Bullets to their first road win after five losses.



TOURISTS: Members of the English cricket team outside Sydney airport last week as they arrived to begin their Australian tour.

## Injury-plagued Malmoe kicks off club tourney

MALMOE, Sweden, Nov. 14 (R) — Swedish soccer club Malmoe will be able to call on only half the team which took it to the European Cup final in Munich last spring for Sunday's first leg of the World Club Championship here.

Malmoe, which lost the European Cup final 1-0 to England's Nottingham Forest, was offered the world Championship fixture against Atletico Olimpia of Paraguay when the British club declined it.

Crippled by injuries, Malmoe finished only fourth in the Swedish league campaign which ended last month. It was a poor performance by its own high standards. It won the league three times and was second twice in the previous five years.

Officials of the Swedish club said they were happy to represent Europe in the World Club Championship and had accepted despite a

slackening interest in soccer now that the Swedish season is over.

Last week, fewer than 6,000 spectators turned up to watch Malmoe play a home UEFA Cup match against Feyenoord Rotterdam of the Netherlands. It ended in a 1-1 draw and Malmoe lost 5-1 on aggregate after a 4-0 away defeat.

## First round

## Tanner through in Taipei

TAIPEI, Nov. 14 (AP) — Wimbledon runnerup Roscoe Tanner of the United States Tuesday night ousted Geoff Masters of Australia 6-3, 6-3 in the opening round of the Taipei Open tennis championships.

Pat Dupre, No. Two seed, of the U.S., won the first set 6-1 and took the second after a tie-breaker 7-6

In with a chance, he thinks  
A wiser Spinks climbs back into the ring

NEW YORK, Nov. 14 (AP) — Leon Spinks says "all I had to do was drop a piece of gum on the floor and everybody would hear about it."

The raw, uneducated fugitive from a St. Louis, Missouri ghetto, whose victory over Muhammad Ali in February 1978 was the most startling ring upset of our times, is back in circulation — more subdued, more mature, more aware of the perils in the hardened, devious, yet sometimes tinselled world of boxing.

"I think I've got it all together. There's a chance I can again be heavyweight champion of the world," Spinks says.

Wearing his store-bought front teeth and no longer dressed like a riverboat gambler, Spinks came to New York to align himself with impresario Don King and launch his comeback. He becomes another pawn in the giant promotional tug of war between former partners: the flamboyantly free-spending King, who educated himself in an Ohio prison, and the slick Harvard law graduate Bob Arum.

The man who dominates the boxing scene is the one who controls the heavyweight champion. Circumstances have given King and Arum each half a loaf and thrown the division into disarray.

King pulls the strings for classy, undefeated Larry Holmes, recognized by the World Boxing Council, and Arum claims first call to the services of big John Tate, the former Olympian who emerged as the World Boxing Association's successor to the retired Ali.

King can run his round-robin with Holmes, Earnie Shavers, Scott LeDoux, Mike Dokes, Mike Weaver, Jimmy Young and now Spinks. Arum can twirl his own world of Tate, South Africans

Gerrie Coetzee and Kallie Knoetze, and perhaps the hard-hitting new "white hope," Gerry Cooney.

It will be interesting to see how Leon Spinks fits into this jigsaw, if at all. This is one of the most tragic cases in boxing.

The light-heavyweight in the U.S. Olympic gold medal class of 1976, he was brought along

quickly in the pro ranks and, less than 1½ years after he has left the amateurs, was fed to the WBA titleholder, Ali.

Astonishingly, he won. But it was as if Ali was playing some macabre game. Seven months later, he regained the crown and became the first heavyweight to win the title three times. Spinks' dubious honor was that he became

the shortest-lived heavyweight titleholder ever.

In the interim, the naive black kid went into orbit. He decked himself in fancy furs and jewelry. He flaunted luxurious limousine. He got into repeated clashes with the law.

When he returned to fighting after losing to Ali, he was floored three times and knocked out by the South African, Coetzee.

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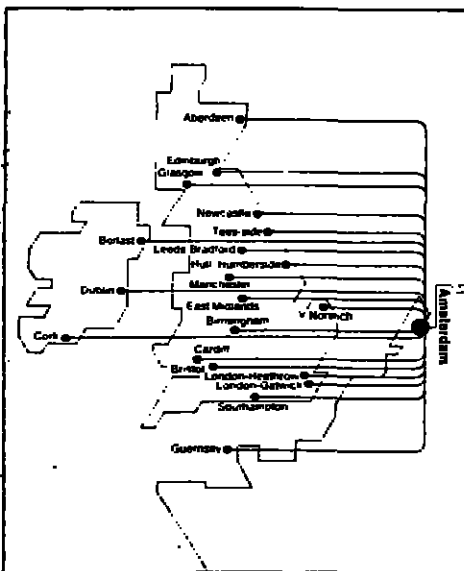
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## With its diplomats held captive in Iran, America marches



Iranian students are pelted with snowballs at the University of Minnesota. Their American colleagues shouted, "Go home."

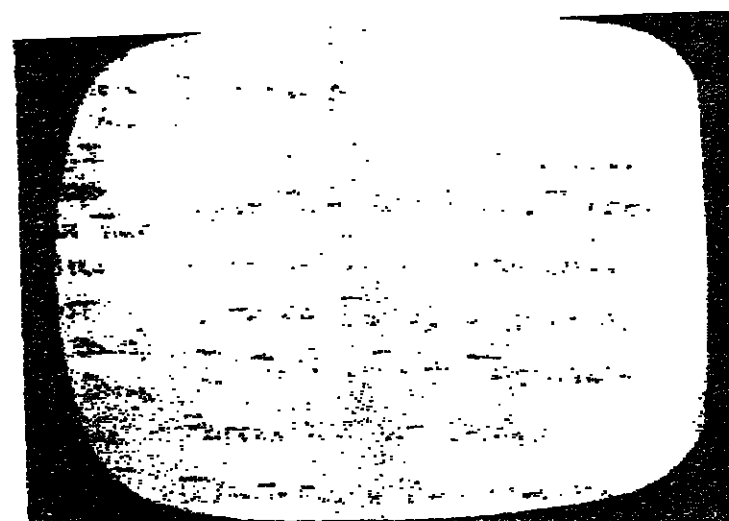


A deceptive calm hangs over the American Embassy in Tehran.

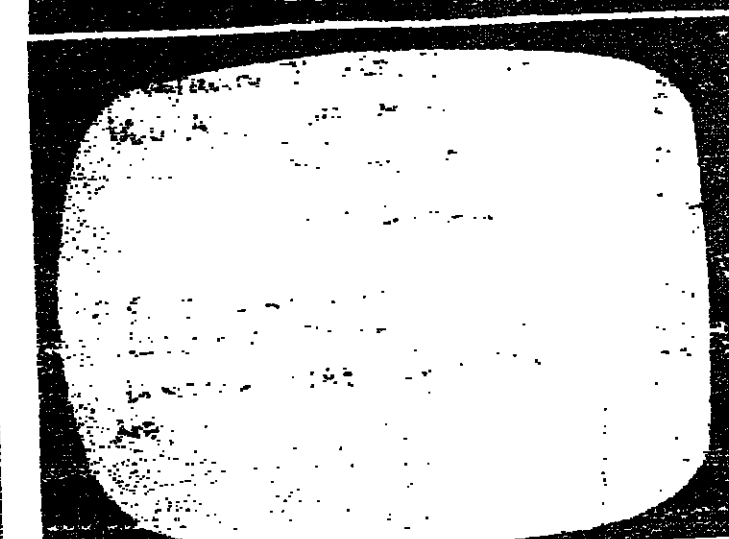
When Iran announced it was withdrawing its \$12 billion from the U.S., Carter froze the assets. And the impasse continues.



The hostages, (seen in photographs made from an NBC television monitor in New York).



A letter, photographed from a television monitor, is said to be from one of the hostages.



Two Iranian students, of the group who captured the embassy, hold pictures of their prisoners.





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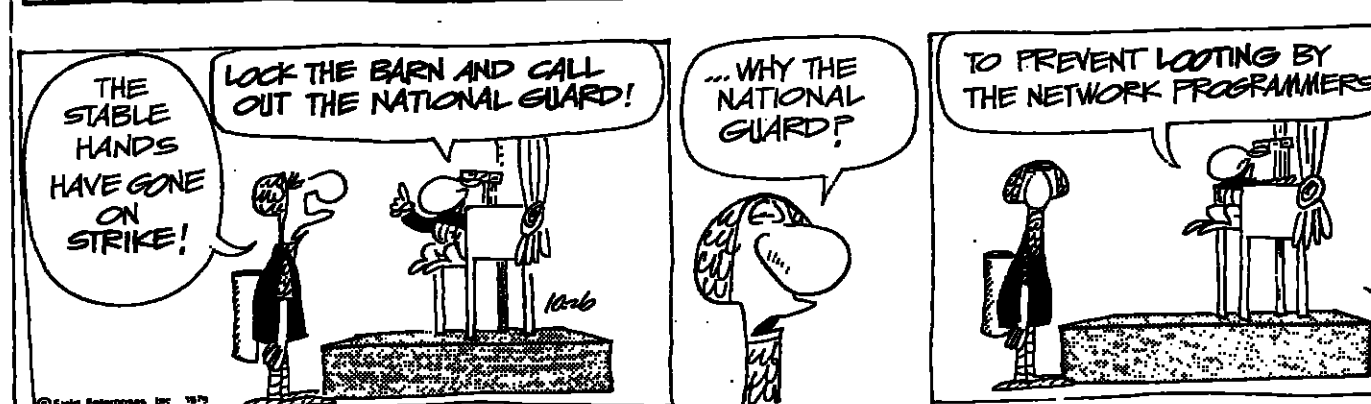
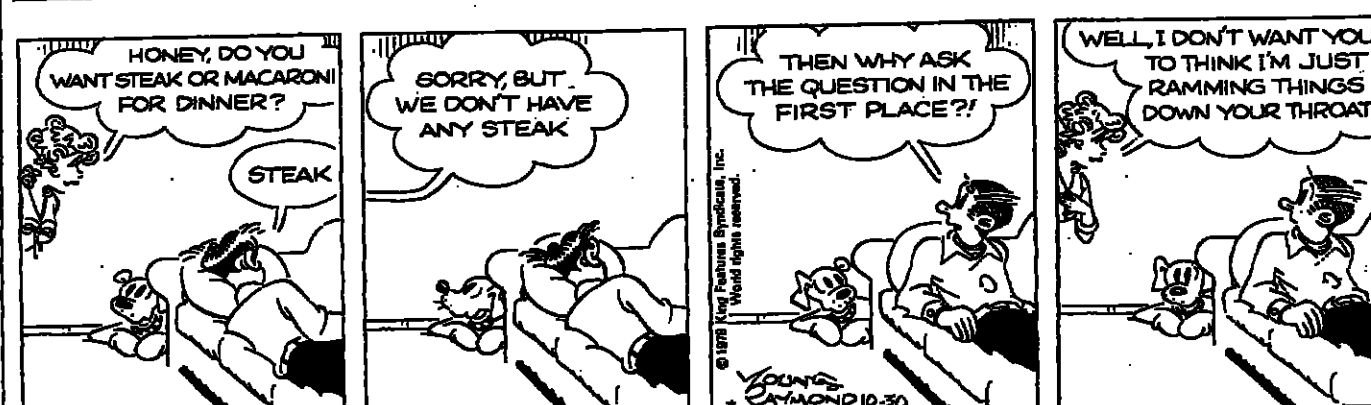
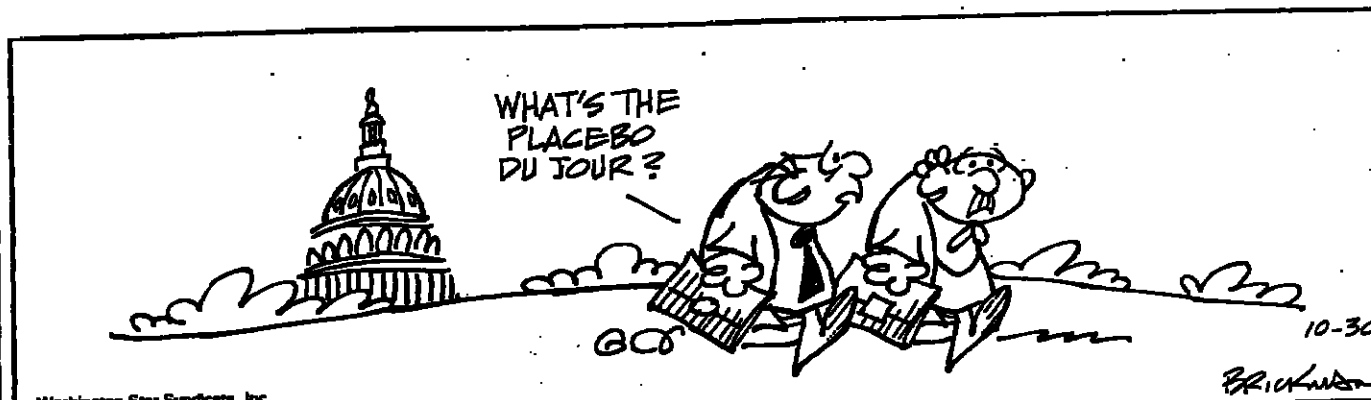
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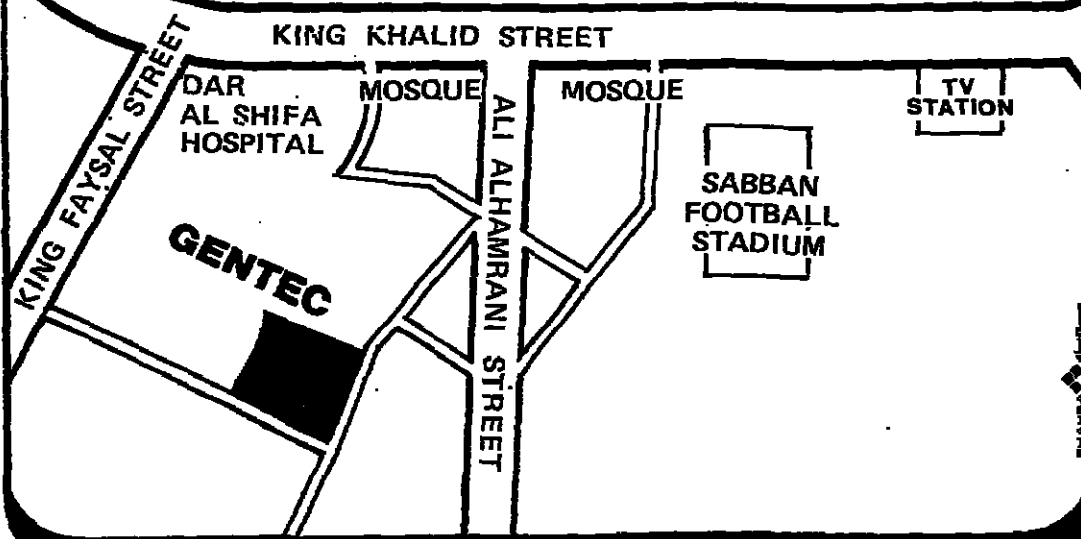
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## On The Loose

By Michael J. Hall

The buzzing in my ears at night tells me that cooler (not cool) weather has returned to these parts, and along with it has come the annual flood of mosquitos.

I'm not sure there's anything we can do to keep them out — spraying insecticide all day only means one's lungs fill with the stuff, and burning ropes, candles and mosquito repellants only seem to add to air pollution without appreciably reducing the insect population.

My experience may be unique. But I think not. Every time man has come up with a better way to get rid of the pests, they seem to develop a new, tough strain immune to whatever technology is used against them.

I'm resigned to spending the next four or five months waking up every three hours and reaching for a fly swatter whenever the buzzing gets intolerable. And walking around all day covered with bites that I mustn't scratch.

But I'll be damned if I can figure out how they manage always to plant their kisses on out-of-the-way locations like my knuckles or the back of my knees. Or how they manage to keep from freezing as they penetrate the air conditioner to come after me at night.

News reports and other sources of information have been full of tales about marriage this week. I thought June was the month for that sort of thing. But here goes, anyway.

From England comes a story of a marriage which may be in trouble even before it really gets underway, and a study which may explain the underlying reason.

A couple named Janet and Philip, having just said their vows, retired to a nearby hall for the formal reception that usually follows such affairs. But when Janet looked up, Philip had gone.

Not a case of his running out on the marriage — since that usually happens with bridegrooms before the ceremony — as Philip showed up back at the reception hall about two hours later.

It turned out Philip hadn't wanted to miss a soccer match between two of his favorite teams, and had simply popped out to catch the football action on a nearby television.

Janet, trying to put on a brave face about the whole thing, said she supported her new husband, eccentricities and all.

"I don't want to stand between him and

his love for football," she reportedly said later. But for all that, she must have been a bit peeved when she found out the score. The two teams had tied, 2-2.

Meanwhile, in London, a research firm reports that the percentage of young Britons getting married this year hit a 20 year low. And it blamed the decline on women.

Women today, it said, enjoy being single, and have jobs they don't want to quit for the bliss of domestic life. I don't imagine that stories about bridegrooms like Philip make the prospect very attractive, either.

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The never-ending war against crime brought out a few new wrinkles in the past couple of weeks. First there was the attempt by a pair of intrepid convicts in an American prison to smuggle themselves out by pretending to be part of the furniture.

That attempt was halted when guards poked the cushion of a sofa being carried out of the prison and it groaned.

The latest story involves efforts by the law and the lawbreakers to out-do each other in technology. For years, police have been training dogs to attack thieves, and for years, thieves have quailed at the sight of a giant German Shepherd bearing down on them.

So, it was only a matter of time before they came up with a counter-weapon — bite-proof clothing that allows them to pull their heists with impunity.

Or so they thought. But the guys in white hats rarely miss a trick. Now police have taught the dogs to aim their bites at vulnerable points like a thief's heel that the armor just can't cover up.

The expression Achilles Heel takes on a whole new meaning.

Advice from the United States. If you were thinking of going to Chicago, don't bother. And whatever you do, don't move there.

The murder rate is high in the Windy City, true, but that's not the whole picture, according to the city's Health Systems Agency. Life in Chicago is four years shorter than in the U.S. as a whole, with cancer and heart attack rates being double the national norm.

I hadn't heard the statistics before, but it does make me thankful for one thing: I must have landed at Chicago's O'Hare Airport at least 20 times. But never once have I been inclined to take a quick run into the city.

## Reagan campaigns for 'new revival'

NEW YORK, Nov. 14 (AP) — Former California Governor Ronald Reagan, saying the United States "hungers for a spiritual revival," Tuesday declared his candidacy for the 1980 Republican Party U.S. presidential nomination.

Reagan, a 68-year-old former movie star who has led the party's right-wing bloc for more than a decade, was the last of 10 men to declare their candidacy for the Republican nomination.

In his speech, Reagan sounded a number of often-heard Republican themes. He called for a tax cut to fight inflation, for sharp cuts in government spending, for the lifting of price controls on domestic energy and increased defense spending.

Reagan has advocated statehood for Puerto Rico "if the people of Puerto Rico vote for statehood in their coming referendum."

The conservative Californian also called for closer ties with Canada and Mexico in what he termed a North American accord. He said he could not say exactly what form this accord would take, but that he would propose that Canada and Mexico send special representatives to Washington "to sit in on high-level planning sessions with us" on issues concerning the future of the continent.

"It is time we stop thinking of our nearest neighbors as foreigners," Reagan said. While not mentioning President Jimmy Carter or other leaders by name, Reagan criticized what he said was "a failure of our leaders to establish rational goals and give our people something to order our lives by."

He cited "bewilderment at how our defense strength has deteriorated," and said, "the citizens of this great nation want... a leader who will unleash their great strength and remove the roadblocks government has put in their way."

"I believe this nation hungers for a spiritual revival, hungers to once again to see honor placed above political expediency, to see government once again the protector of our liberties, not the distributor of gifts and privilege," Reagan said.

Reagan expressed concern over the double-digit U.S. inflation and declared, "the key to restoring the health of the economy lies in cutting taxes." He did not specify what kind of tax cut he would seek but he cited



Ronald Reagan

several Republican tax-cut bills in Congress as "the kind of realistic reductions" that he was thinking of.

Reagan's announcement was broadcast nationwide, and he delivered the same speech in person at a 500-a-ticket party fund-raiser here.

After the speech, Reagan embarked on a five-day, 12-city campaign swing that will take him to most of the early primary states.

Reagan first sought the Republican nomination in 1968, and in 1976 he nearly wrested the prize from President Gerald R. Ford.

Reagan's entry rounds out the long list of major-party challengers seeking to deny President Jimmy Carter a second term. Democratic contenders Senator Edward Kennedy and California's current governor, Edmund G. Brown Jr., began their campaigns last week.

Carter plans to announce his candidacy for re-election on Dec. 4.

The major Republican hopefuls include George Bush and Senator Howard Baker, as well as John Connally and Senator Robert Dole.

As of Tuesday night, they were all chasing Reagan. Although Reagan has maintained a low profile so far, making few campaign appearances, he enters the race as the undisputed early favorite — a status even his major rivals accord him.

He turns 69 in February. If he wins, Reagan would be the oldest U.S. President ever elected. His aides say they hope that an energetic campaign on the part of the former film star will help to eliminate age as an issue.

### 'We can do it' spirit cited

## U.S. closes energy ranks against Iran

By Donna V. Adair  
Houston Bureau

Several energy speeches ago, in an attempt to convince Americans of the seriousness of the energy situation, President Jimmy Carter called it the moral equivalent of war.

Most Americans ho-hummed and went back to their normal energy-spending ways. But Monday when Carter announced the U.S. would no longer purchase petroleum products from Iran, Americans of all walks of life — many of whom had already called the current siege of the American embassy in Tehran an act of war — cheered and said, "We can do it."

CBS News, anchored by Walter Cronkite, reviewed the day's events beginning with Carter's announcement that it is vital to the United States that its citizens abroad be protected.

"We must eliminate any suggestion that economic pressures can weaken our stand on a matter of principle," Carter said.

But Cronkite noted that the effect of the move in Iran was uncertain. "There is no indication that it has moved either the students or their leaders," he said.

Leslie Stahl, reporting from the White House, noted that Carter's move was not punitive since it was no more than the Iranians were about to do to the U.S., but that the main reaction was to boost the morale among Americans. "There's a sense now that we're fighting back," she said, "though the real fight is not being seriously considered. The lives of the Americans are the highest concern."

White House strategists, she further stated, are preparing for a long siege. Carter is talking about canceling his Thanksgiving plans.

At the State Department Marvin Kalb reported a deep, deep sense of frustration that a great power is helpless. These professionals at diplomacy, he said, have gone everywhere. "And most of the things they've tried haven't borne fruit."

There's no doubt that there will be a functioning American embassy in Tehran when this is all over, Kalb forecast, adding, "in the words of one State Department official, wild horses couldn't make us give the Shah back now."

In the CBS report from Iran, it was noted that Carter's halting Iranian imports did have a surprise factor because the Iranians felt the U.S. had an insatiable appetite for oil.

However, an Iranian official said Carter's announcement was favorable for Iran. "We have a long line of customers waiting for it."

### But danger persists

## Canadian gas threat ebbs

MISSISSAUGA, Canada, Nov. 14 (AP) — With most of the deadly chlorine from a wrecked rail tanker here safely dissipated into the atmosphere, authorities said Tuesday it appeared most of the nearly 220,000 persons evacuated could return home. But officials said the danger was not over.

Authorities said the 50,000 evacuees who live nearest the wreck site in a 50-square-kilometer area would have to spend a third night away from home. That was because of continued danger of explosion and subsequent spread of chlorine gas.

Workers attempting to seal a one-meter gash in the chlorine tanker, one of several wrecked in a Saturday night derailment, said about three-quarters of the 90 tons of chlorine was gone.

City officials said until gas pockets near the wreckage are removed, there will be no attempt to pump out the remaining chlorine gas into tanker trucks.

### For new missiles

## Brown backs NATO plans

THE HAGUE, Nov. 14 (AP) — U.S. Defense Secretary Harold Brown wrapped up a NATO defense ministers meeting here Wednesday with an urgent call to modernize the alliance's European nuclear forces in the face of a growing Soviet threat.

Noting "a substantial increase" in the number of Soviet warheads now capable of striking West European targets, Brown said "It would be dangerous for NATO allies to allow such a situation to continue."

In a communique released after a two-day meeting of the alliance's nuclear planning group, the defense ministers said NATO may adjust its 7,000 — strong nuclear stockpile in Europe by withdrawing a "substantial number" of older warheads.

The communique added that modernization of existing nuclear weaponry was an "urgent requirement," but that arms control efforts with the Soviet Union should be pursued.

Brown told reporters it was imperative these arms control measures go hand-in-hand with modernization.

NATO Secretary General Joseph Luns said reservations about the NATO plans expressed by Dutch Defense Minister Willem Scholten "were not in accord with those of the other ministers."

We can now sell it in the free market. We embrace Carter's decision; at least we agree on this subject."

Asked if Iran and the U.S. could ever have close relations again, if the Shah were returned, the official replied that the U.S. had clearly and "flagrantly insulted" Iranians; "knowing how this criminal (the Shah) is hated by our people."

The CBS reporter in Iran echoed Stahl's White House analysis. "The Iranians seemed prepared for a long siege," he said, adding that they also seemed well organized.

Cronkite noted that Carter coupled his announcement with an appeal for conservation to relieve the shortfall. "Redouble your efforts to curtail the use of petroleum products... America does face a difficult challenge and test. Our response will measure our character and our courage," Carter said.

This may well be the nation's key to conservation efforts, Cronkite added.

CBS reporter Nelson Benton noted that traveling three miles fewer a day will handle the Iranian shortfall of 800,000 barrels per day, or four per cent of American's imports. "Our current inventories of crude oil and heating oil are the same as or better than they were this time last year and we're using less."

Energy Secretary Charles Duncan, Jr. said the U.S. is in a good situation as to inventories.

Mobil Oil Corp. Chairman Rawleigh Warner noted that the world should be able to redistribute the total oil supply. "The key is how much the Iranians will release elsewhere."

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## Good Morning et

By Jihad Khazen

There is nothing — well, almost nothing — a reporter wouldn't do to do the opposition a story. While the revolution in modern long distance communications is making it increasingly hard to achieve a "scoop" in the classical sense, reporters still try. Here at any rate, some of the more famous methods of journalistic skulduggery. (You'll not they all concern Western rather than Arab journalism — this is after all a family affair and certain limits have to be observed.)

The most common method is that sending your colleagues on a false trail. This is something you can do only if you are a famous journalist yourself, assumed to be "in the know." Failing that, and given a good expense account, you can keep your colleagues pleasantly occupied in a party timed and located carefully enough to ensure their miss their deadlines. Journalists, as is known the world over, are seldom able to resist a party, and not merely because their essential conviviality. There, it will think, they can keep an eye on rivals — this is precisely the false sense of security you want to encourage.

A more direct method is to beat the rivals to the telephone exchanges — and in modern communications have ruined a fun — and occupy all of their points of your message is safely passed on to the paper and the deadline on the others is behind. This you can do by getting operators working on transmitting whatever material you have in hand. Old newspapers, a novel, even the Bible. Anybody so long as it clutters up all communication channels except your own.

A leading American reporter in Cairo at the time of Nasser learned that Egyptian president was about to call for Arab summit. He realized that he could his colleagues by no more than 15 minutes, and had to act fast if the story was to remain his.

He accordingly rushed to the exchange and opened the line — the good one — to his paper in Washington. First he gave the news story as he composed it. Then he started to his detailed demands for reservations at place of the summit. Then he told newspaper that his dog wasn't feeling well and they will have to advise whether he should leave it in Cairo or take it with him.

With the corner of his eye he saw colleagues rushing towards the telephone. He held on grimly. If he demanded for his paper, the dog was to accompany him; they should arrange the reservation such a way as to take account of that not, then they should advise immediately on the dog's unkeep and medical requirements in Cairo. He started giving details the beast's symptoms, watching his colleagues debating whether they should formally declare themselves a lynch mob.

The operators of course thought the man was completely mad. This, out of experience with reporters, signally fail to surprise or excite them. But his colleagues know they were well and tripped the past.

Translated from Ashraf Al-Awsat



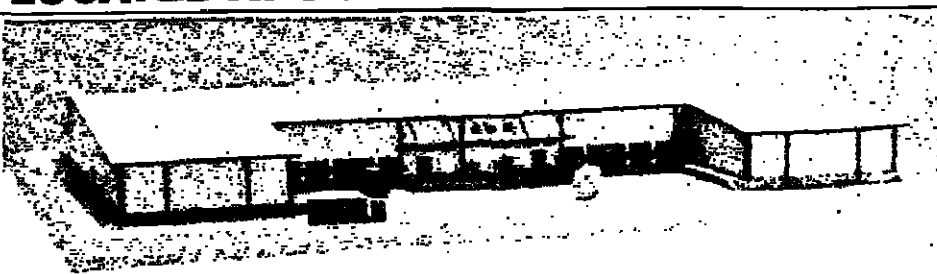
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